

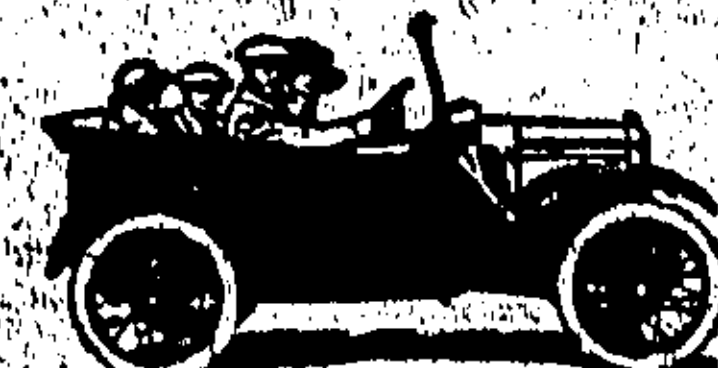
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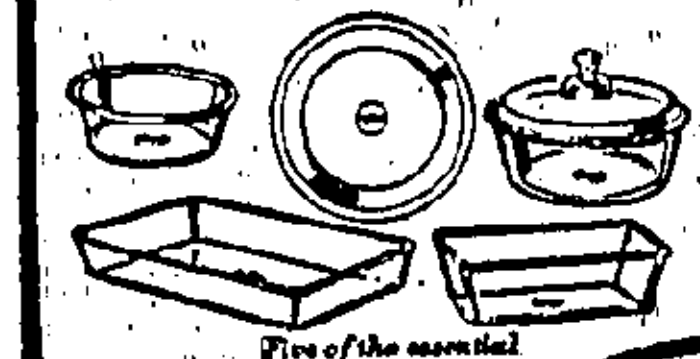
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FIRE FACTS.
JOBS OUR FIREMEN DO.
SOME VARIED TASKS.
Things The Public Should Know.

Everyone knows that Hongkong has an extremely efficient Fire Brigade, but not everyone knows how that efficiency is maintained.

A "China Mail" reporter who sought out Mr. Brooks, the Superintendent with the general object of obtaining information that would dispel this ignorance and the special object of finding out the Fire Brigade's plans for the future, found Mr. Brooks tapping busily away at a typewriter in his office.

The reporter must have looked surprised and Mr. Brooks's first words were characteristically frank and hearty:

"Please don't say you are one of those people who think we have nothing to do all day but twiddle our thumbs and await the next call to the scene of action."

"Well, not exactly. But do you mind indicating what sort of clerical work there is in connection with fire prevention work?"

Mr. Brooks showed the reporter drawer after drawer containing indents, files of plans, passed or unpassed, of buildings, built and unbuilt, and many other documents, all neatly ticketed and in labelled drawers.

Huge Area To Guard.

Mr. Brooks indicated the remotest corners of Hongkong and the New Territories. "It is pretty safe to say that this is the largest area which any fire brigade of this size has to look after."

"And of what does the work of supervision consist?"

"At every one of these places there are buildings and matsheds to be inspected in connection with fire prevention and at many substations to be inspected and drill carried out periodically."

Here the reporter produced the photograph reproduced on this page. "Is it not at places such as these that such a machine would be invaluable?"

"That's the sort of thing I would like to get in time but we should have to have a very much larger European staff than we have at present. It would be hopeless to hand over control and supervision of such delicate machinery to Chinese."

"With such a machine I take it that an officer, single-handed, could cope with any fire of not too considerable dimensions."

Moto's For Country.

"This kind," said the reporter, again indicating the photograph, "would be even better for that kind of work, would it not?"

"Oh yes, but for the next few years at any rate, I expect we shall have to be satisfied with the turbine motor engines one of which is to come out shortly as an experiment. They may be drawn by hand or trailer, can cross soft ground or ploughed fields to get at water and may be taken in at the front door of a house and out the other to get at a well if necessary."

"Are they to replace the steam"

FRENCH BUDGET.

INCREASE IN COLONIAL
VOTE

AIRSHIPS TO HANOI?

(Reuters Service.)

PARIS, December 12.

The budget for the Ministry of the Colonies has been increased by frs. 17,000,000.

Reporter Archimbaud suggests that the best way to develop the Colonies is to increase the trade between them and France.

French merchants should buy cotton in French West Africa, and silk in Indo-China, etc.

He recommends the creation of the post of High Commissioner for the Pacific, which would be politically and economically of advantage to Indo-China.

New Air Service.

He discusses the possibility of an airship service between Paris and Hanoi and regular postal and passenger services by aeroplane throughout Indo-China.

STOLEN BOYS.
Over A Thousand
Captives!

AMAZING RUMOURS.

CREDULITY THAT PASSES
BELIEF.

That over a thousand Chinese and Malay boys have been kidnapped with the approval, if not the connivance, of the British Government, and that these boys are now "stored" away in the jungles of Malaya awaiting opportunity for shipment to Britain, is the latest phase of the Singapore "child kidnapping" and "head hunting" scare which recently resulted in riots in our sister colony.

Little more has come to light since the stern action of the Singapore Police and the Chinese Protectorate, following a brutal street murder, which took place despite an assurance, that the "missing" boys, alleged by mischief makers to have been spirited

UNDER A CURSE?

FATEFUL HONGKONG STREET.

MANY TRAGIC INCIDENTS.

Grim Memories Of "The Goldfish Pool."

Almost it would seem that one of Hongkong's streets is under a curse, so many tragic incidents have happened in its vicinity.

(By Gai Ming for the China Mail.)

Ko Shing Street means little for the average Hongkong resident, beyond that Ko Shing is also the name of the Colony's oldest Chinese theatre. Yet Ko Shing Street is a street of grim memories. Yesterday morning a fire broke out at No. 2 which abuts on Queen's Street and peeps out into the junction of Nam Pak Hong, Wing Lok Street and Des Voeux Road West. For most people the report of this fire had no interest beyond the fact that

the loss was as high as \$20,000. But for a few it was another luckless incident added to a long list including the first motor-bandit robbery in the Colony, the sensational murder of a Cantonese matinee idol and one or two very disastrous blazes, all within the confines of the same street, and only a few doors away.

In the vernacular Ko Shing Street is often referred to as Kom U Tong which means "Goldfish Pool." Before the reclamation was begun, Ko Shing Street was just on the water-front and the name was probably given to it by boatpeople who described it in this way because of its curve, somewhat like to the shape of a goldfish.

Directly in front of the wine shop, which suffered loss to the extent of \$20,000 as a result of yesterday morning's outbreak is a native banker's establishment with its main entrance on Des Voeux Road—the first of a long straight block on the left as one turns inwards in a westerly direction, by tram, from the Steamboat Co.'s Macao wharf—a side door leading into Queen's Street and a back door facing the burnt shop. This spot is in the very heart of the Chinese business centre, being in fact an outgrowth of Nam Pak Hong. It is also on the edge of a large Chinese residential area. Furthermore it is situated on the boundary between the Central and Western Police districts. Thus when anything goes amiss it receives double the attention, as both stations have to turn out to find out where the cause of the trouble lies.

First Motor Bandits.
It was only a few years ago that a motor-car, believed to have been hired from one of the native garages drew up outside the money shop. From this motor car leapt out several desperadoes who rushed into the shop and terrorised the occupants. One of the foks slipped through the side door and blew a police whistle.

Gathering their loot, which comprised notes and coins of many denominations and currencies, the bandits started to make off. They were challenged by an Indian policeman who immediately took cover behind one of the stone street pillars when the robbers opened fire. Random shots caused the death of at least one fok in a shop on the other side of the road.

Later in the day there was a desperate revolver battle, at point-blank range, in a Kennedy Town tea-house, where the culprits had proceeded to dispose of the loot. A Chinese policeman was killed and two of the robbers were captured after a determined pursuit by the police up and down the lower slopes of Mount Davis and the Kennedy Town beach.

About two years ago, a shop about ten doors away from this corner and in the same row as No. 2, was gutted one night, the family of the shop-master, who resided in the upper floors, undergoing an unmerited ordeal before they escaped to safety. The damage on that occasion was also heavy.

It is believed that another fire, although on a smaller scale, has occurred in that same block within the last two or three years. This year, a part of one flat, in that very block, collapsed, causing injuries to several occupants.

Only a few months ago, the locality was startled by an armed robbery alarm when the desperadoes got away with valuable booty.

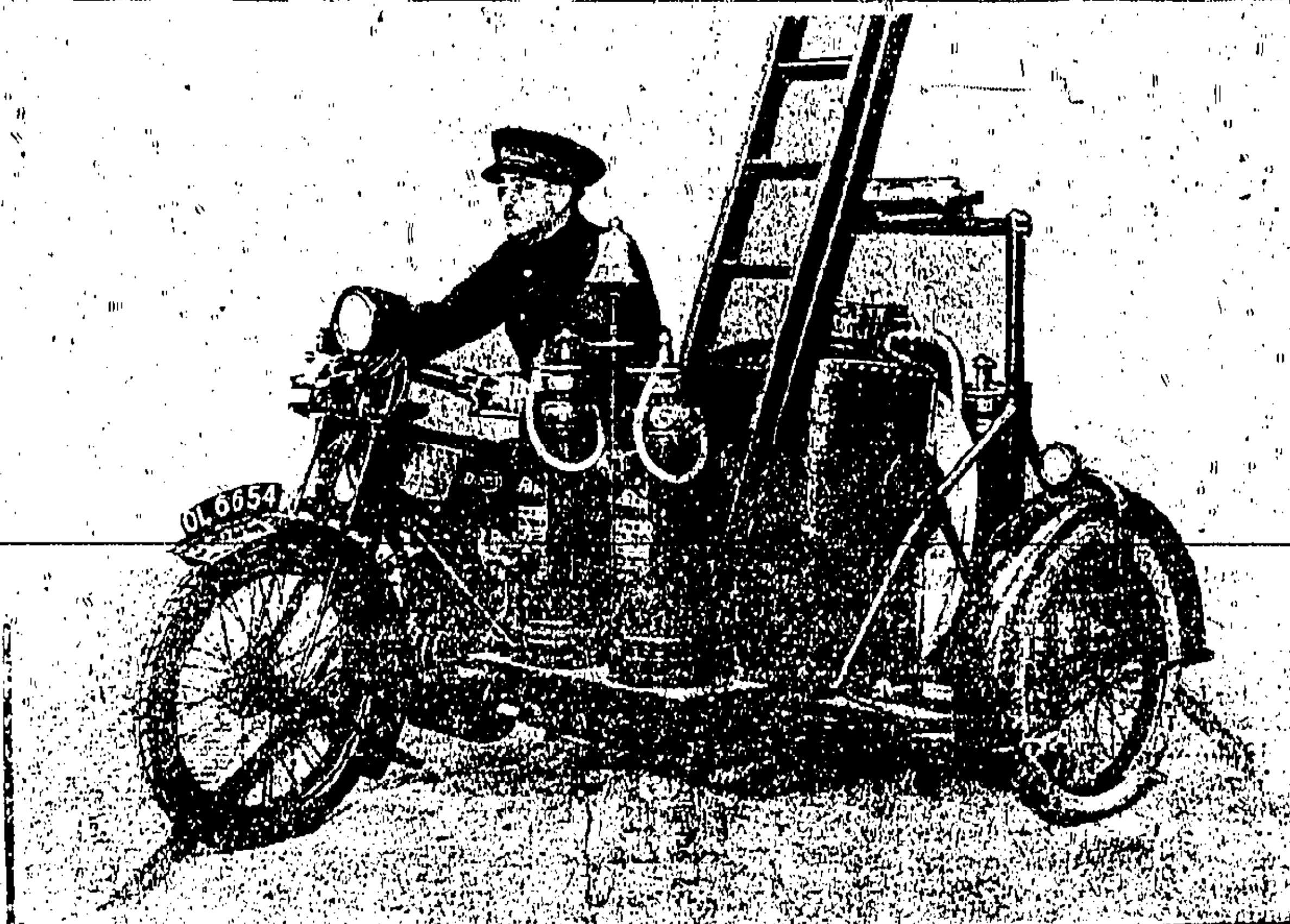
Matinee Idol Killed.

On Queen's Street and within a stone's throw of the windows of No. 2, a stage favourite was shot shortly after leaving the Ko Shing Theatre at midnight on a Saturday.

He was in a ricscha and just before getting down to the ill-fated corner he was hailed by one or two men. One of these men pulled out a revolver and murdered him in cold blood.

Such is the record of Ko Shing Street. Who can say what will be the next incident that will add further to its already long list of grim memories?

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This is a neat little turn out which effectively demonstrated its fire-fighting capacities at the Olympia Motor-Cycle Show. Will its like ever be seen in the streets of Hongkong or the New Territories?

A FOOL'S ERRAND.

SIR CHARLES KAVANAGH'S
CHINA TRIP.

ECHO IN COURT.

HUMPHREY DENMAN CO.

CLAIM \$1,750.

(Reuters Service.)

London, December 12.
In the King's Bench division, during the hearing of the action brought by Messrs. Humphrey, Denman & Co., Ltd., which is in liquidation, against Sir Charles Kavanagh claiming £1,750, as unpaid calls on 2,000 shares in the Company, and damages for alleged breach of agreement, the Company alleged that Sir Charles had accepted £250 salary and £500 as expenses for a trip to China to report on mines over which the Company held an option. The Company alleged that he had failed in that duty.

SIR CHARLES' STORY.
Sir Charles Kavanagh now asked that his name be struck off the list of shareholders on the ground that he had been fraudulently misled by the statements of Mr. Enever, agent of the Company. He denied that there had been any breach of agreement.

In the course of his evidence, Sir Charles described his visit to China as "a fool's errand."

POLAND'S DEBT.

AGREEMENT FOR
REPAYMENT TO BRITAIN.

INTEREST IS REDUCED.

(Reuters Service.)

LONDON, December 12.
It is learned from an authoritative Polish source that the Anglo-Polish agreement for the repayment of Poland's debt to Britain, provides for the reduction of interest from six to five per cent. Repayment of the whole debt is to be made within fifteen years.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

PROFOUNDLY MOVED AT
GRACIOUS RECEPTION.

(Reuters Service.)

ROME, December 12.
Prior to leaving Rome Mr. Austen Chamberlain sent a message to Reuters' special correspondent, saying he was profoundly moved at the gracious reception given him by high personages, and the cordial welcome by M. Mussolini and his Government, as well as the great kindness shown him in every hand. His sympathy for Italy had strengthened his respect for the League of Nations and his confidence in its future had increased. His conversations with M. Mussolini and M. Herriot were conducted in the spirit of the League. They attempted no ready-made solution of great problems which only time, patience and goodwill could resolve, but sought to develop points of agreement and to remove difficulties so that three nations might retain in time of peace the close friendship and perfect understanding which had united them in war.

AT DEATH'S DOOR.

MR. SAMUEL GOMPERS
SERIOUSLY ILL.

(Reuters American Service.)

NEW YORK, December 12.
The report of the death of Mr. Samuel Gompers is incorrect. Although he is seriously ill with heart trouble, his doctors hope to save him if he survives the train journey to the United States from Mexico City where he has been attending a labour conference.

DOCTOR'S EN ROUTE.
LAREDO, TEX., December 12.
A party of doctors crossed the American border, this morning, on route to attend Mr. Samuel Gompers, whose condition is critical. He is said to be suffering from some bronchial infection.

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By Order of the General Committee
H. C. HUNT,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1924.

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THE PAINTERS' GUILD.
No. 21, New Street.

Hongkong, December 12th, 1924.

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One of Anatole France's most
cherished possessions was an
umbrella which he had purchased
many years ago in Rome (remarks
the "Daily Chronicle"). Time
and exposure, though they had
faded the cover of it to a dingy
brown, seemed powerless to dam-
age its framework. The thing
seemed immortal. In his visits to
old bookshops the author would
often leave the relic behind him.
But he never lost it for more than
an hour or two. It always turned
up again. "Je crois qu'il est fee!"
the master would exclaim.

A Barrie Story.
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle has
just published a new book,
"Memories and Portraits." He
tells the following story of Sir
James Barrie—"Kiriampur could
by no means understand Barrie's
success, and looked upon their
great son as an inexplicable
phenomenon. They were actually
aware, however, that tourists were
arriving from all parts to see the
place on account of Barrie's books.
"I suppose you have read them," I
said to the wife of the local hotel
man. "Aye, I've read them, and
steep, steep, weary work it was,"
said she.

Michael Mordkin.

Mordkin is now the director of
the Soviet State Theatre of
Moscow. There is, however,
nothing Bolshevik in his dancing.
On the contrary, he must be
classed with the conventional
school now we are so thoroughly
imbued with the revolutionary
spirit of the Diaghilev ballet. In
"Salambo," he is content to
dance rather than to give his
primary attention to the business
of making us realise the utter
bewilderment of Mordkin at seeing
the object of his dreams at his
feet—the mountain, so to speak,
comes to Mahomet, says a writer
in a Home paper.

A Likely Story!

While three Irishmen were row-
ing on a river, writes a contributor
to an American weekly paper,
their boat upset. Only one of
them could swim, and he promptly
made for the nearest bank, leaving
his companions clinging to the
bottom of the capsized craft.
Soon, however, the swimmer re-
turned, and one by one rescued
his inebriated friends. When they
were all safe on the bank one of
the men inquired of the rescuer:
"Mullany, why didn't ye take
wan of us the first trip ye made to
shore 'stead of goin' empty-
handed?" "Sure, an didn't I
have to save me own life first!"
demanded the acute Mullany.

A New Lady in Waiting.

There is likely to be a consider-
able heartburning until the Queen
selects her new Lady in Waiting
in succession to the late Lady
Elizabeth Dawson, since this is
one of the most desirable appoint-
ments about the Court (remarks
the "Star"). It is necessary for
this appointment to be the
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all occasions, and assists her with
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duct of her affairs generally. Each
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herself set in diamonds.

Woman Doctor's Success.

Still in her twenties Dr. S. G.
Overton, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S.,
L.R.C.P., D.P.H., has been appoint-
ed to one of the most coveted posts
in the medical profession, that of
H.M. Medical Inspector of Fac-
tories. Miss Overton, who took
up her duties at the Home Office
at the end of October, is the only
woman doctor in the department.
Tall, slim, and of athletic ap-
pearance, Dr. Overton looks even
younger than her age, but the
amount of work she has put in
during the six years since she
qualified would be a credit to any-
one twice her years (says the
"Daily News"). Two years ago
Miss Overton was appointed
Assistant School Medical Officer
to the London County Council,
and was drafted to the East End
of London, where she has had
charge of the medical inspection
of 24,000 school children.

Sweetheart Banned.

For sending a letter threatening
to murder Dorothy Bower, Noah
Leamy, 31, shop assistant, was
banned over at the Old Bailey.
Counsel explained that Leamy
was engaged to Miss Bower, but
the marriage was stopped by his
brother because he was not in
a position to marry. Leamy wrote
a letter to the girl in which he
threatened to murder her and then
commit suicide. Mr. Cecil White-
ley, K.C., for the defence, declared
that Leamy was not a person of
ordinary intelligence. He was
employed by his brother, who
gave him 15s. a week. When he
learned that he could not marry his
girl into a very nervous condition,
and in a fit of depression wrote
the letter. He was very sorry.
His brother had undertaken to
look after him. In blind prison-
er over, Mr. Justice Branson
declared that he must not com-
municate with the girl again!

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

London County Council Higher
Education Committee have decid-
ed to continue the regulation
excluding aliens from their county
scholarship scheme.

While at the beginning of 1923
Sierra Leone, West Coast of
Africa, had a Crown agent's over-
draft of £29,000, by the same year
end it was £23,000 in credit.

Night beat policemen returning
to Brixton, S.W., Police Station
found the window of Messrs. S. A.
Newman, a few yards from the
station, had been smashed and
about £250 worth of clothing
stolen.

The number of persons recorded
on October 20 on the registers of
Employment Exchanges in Great
Britain was 1,204,000—6,201 fewer
than in the previous week. There
are 1,500 more women unemployed.

One of the best known of Lon-
don's magistrates, Mr. Forbes
Lanckester, K.C., who is in his
70th year, is to retire at the end of
January. He has been at West
London Police Court since 1922
and was previously at Thames
Court.

Recent acquisitions by the
Natural History Museum, South
Kensington, include a Fin whale
skull weighing about 6 tons given
by Lord Leverhulme, and the
largest olive crystal ever found,
from St. John Island, Red Sea.

Sentence of ten years' imprison-
ment was passed on George Purse,
a labourer, at Cambridge for
attempting to murder his step-
daughter, aged 24, by cutting her
throat with a razor. It was alleged
that the attack was the outcome of
Purse's jealousy of a blacksmith.

German was heard more than
any other foreign language at the
opening of the London fur auctions
at College-hill, E.C., where there
was a sale of 326,000 Australian
skins, mostly opossums. There
were also wallaby, kangaroo, red
fox, and even house cat skins.

Wearing academic gowns over
their dresses, women filled St.
Paul's Cathedral for a Thanks-
giving Service to celebrate the
jubilee of the London (Royal Free
Hospital) School of Medicine for
Women. Princess Beatrice and
Princess Arthur of Connaught
were among the few women in
ordinary dress.

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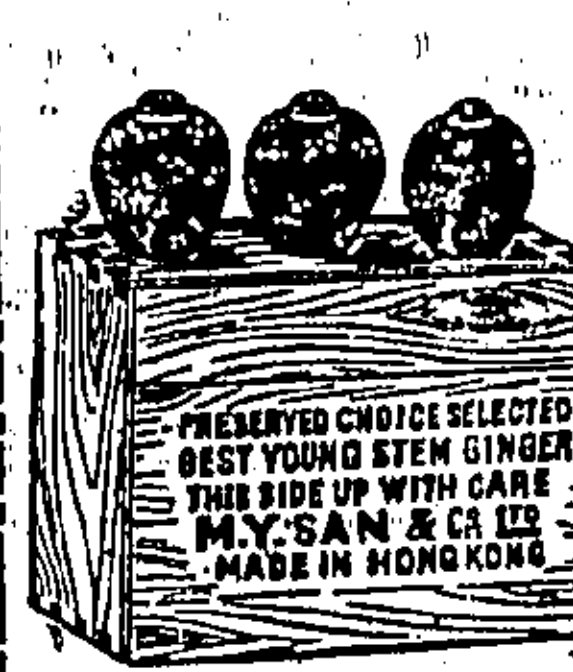
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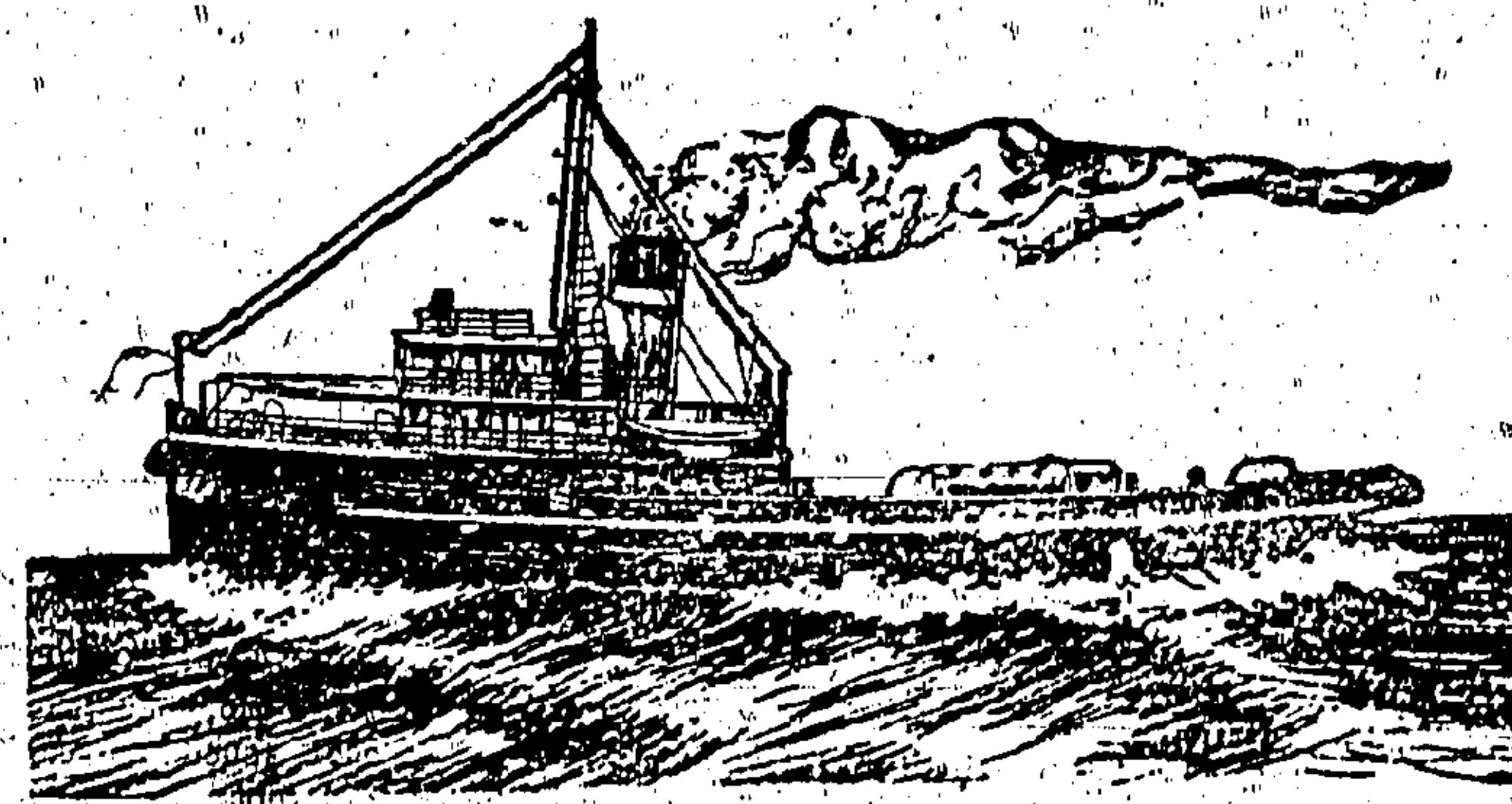
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to a certain extent, is due to the
control of hypotheated revenues
by European bankers. As pointed
out time and again, China's fin-
ances could be put in order, in a
short order, if only a Government
could be installed in Peking which
had the means of forcing the pro-
vincial treasuries to remit what is
the just due of the Central
Government. Now that Tuan
Chi-jui and Chang Tso-lin appear
to have reached an agreement
whereby the military leaders will
no longer be in a position to drain
the country's coffers, prospects are
brighter than they have been for
months. When all is said and
done, it is a hopeful sign that the
Chinese Government is not deeper
in default over payment of
interest on bonds.

Coal Briquettes.

On our commercial page to-day
mention is made of the formation
of a local company to manufacture
coal briquettes. The names of the
directors alone should attract a
large number of applicants for
shares. Coal briquettes are
generally admitted, and have been
proved in the British and French
navies, to be the ideal fuel for
bunkers in solid form. From the
prospects we learn that with
regard to its supplies of dust coal,
the company must, for the pre-
sent, content itself with such
quantities as can be obtained from
Tongkin, together with a small
percentage of Japanese dust coal,
but for the larger output the
North River anthracite must be
employed. Coal deposits of the
Kok Kong district along the North
River form the most accessible
and one of the largest coal fields
of South China and should be the
natural source of Hongkong's fuel
supply. This coal is, however,
quite useless for most purposes as
it comes from the mine, it being
about 90 per cent. dust, and high
in ash and sulphur. Its utilization
depends entirely on an economical
process for its purification and
briquetting. Such a process has
been worked out and its details
acquired by the Company. As
soon as political conditions in
China allow of uninterrupted
mining, a clean dust coal from this
district can be delivered at the
Company's works in Hongkong for
about \$7.00 per ton, to which must
be added \$5.00 for briquetting
costs. It may be added that the
Société Française des Char-
bonnages du Tongkin is success-
fully making and selling bri-
quettes in Indo-China to the
extent of about 100,000 tons per
year but as their entire output is
practically absorbed by the Indo-
China market few, if any, of these
briquettes are sold in Hongkong.
The most convincing argument for
the success of the company, how-
ever, would appear to be the com-
paratively cheap manner in which
the briquettes can be handled
between the factory and the ship's
bunker.

U. S. WAR CLAIMS.

**DEBTS AND REPARATIONS
UNDER DISCUSSION.**

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, December 12.

Press reports regarding the
inclusion in the Dawes plan of the
American war claims, elicited a
statement from the Finance Min-
ister that the French and American
conversations of October 25
recognised the principle of such
claims, but no figure was men-
tioned. The whole question will be
submitted to the Inter-Allied Con-
ference of Finance Ministers any-
how. There is no question that the
American claim will be treated
more expeditiously than the French.

MUSSOLINI'S OPINION.

ROME, December 12.
In the Senate in the debate on
the foreign estimates, Mussolini,
referring to debts and reparations,
said it was neither human nor
just to grant facilities to Germany
and not to an ally. He hinted at
the possibility of Italy's asking to
increase the percentage allowed
her at the Spa Conference on
German reparations. Regarding
the Geneva Protocol, he was of
the opinion it should be studied
very carefully because of its deli-
cate character and the undertaking
involved.

NOTABLE SUCCESS.

**"THE YEOMEN OF THE
GUARD."**

SPECIAL CRITIQUE.

A large and enthusiastic audi-
ence assembled at the Theatre
Royal last night for the first public
presentation of the "Yeomen of
the Guard" by the Hongkong Phil-
harmonic Society.

The Overture started shortly
after 9 and from then to the fall
of the curtain, the indulgent audi-
ence yielded a willing attention
and unstinted appreciation.

In the first number, "When
maiden loves," a contralto solo by
Phoebe, (Mrs. Douglas Reid) the
artist was beyond criticism, and
raised expectation to a high point.
Indeed, throughout the remainder
of the opera, equally in acting and
singing, Mrs. Reid maintained a
standard which would have done
credit to a professional—such a
combination of personal charm
and talent, musical and histrionic,
being of rare occurrence in
amateur theatricals.

Number two introduced the full
chorus of people and warders.
The baritone solo by the second
warder (Mr. A. J. J. Brock) would
be more effective with a slightly
increased volume.

As Dame Carruthers in No. 3,
"When our gallant Norman foes,"
Mrs. Mathieson well sustained the
impression created by Mrs. Reid,
singing and stage presence alike
being of a high order. This is all
the more creditable as the part is
anything but an attractive one for
the average amateur actress.

As Elsie Maynard, Mrs. Collett
could scarcely have been bettered
in the vocal part. Her beautifully
clear soprano notes were a sheer
delight to listen to, all attitudes
being taken with equal facility and
effect intonation.

No one of the male characters
could be described as of outstand-
ing merit or otherwise. The most
exacting role was that of Jack
Point (Mr. J. S. Gillingham),
whose acting was on a distinctly
higher plane than his singing.
The least spectacular was that of
Shadbolt (Mr. G. D. Leys), the
grim votary of love and laughter.
One fairly evident fact was the
letter perfect condition of the play,
no hesitation being discernible at
any time.

Of the concerted pieces deserv-
ing special mention, the first meet-
ing of Phoebe (Mrs. Reid) with
the escaped Fairfax (Mr. D. M.
Richards) right to the end of Act
I, employing practically all of the
principals, was worthy of the
highest commendation. The scene
"Were I thy bride" was a fine
piece of natural, and effortless
acting by Mrs. Reid, well seconded
by the amative stolidity of Mr.
Leys. The Quartette "Strange
Adventure" was duly encored.
The Trio, "It's purely a matter of
skill," received a like compliment
but with more reason as it
demanded a continual action in
order to singing. "When a
wooer goes a wooing," the
Quartette following, was also
delivered in excellent style, despite
a slight instrumental hitch at the
start. The Duet "Rapture, Rap-
ture," was well received and
encored. The only Trio in which
the three lady principals met was
somewhat marred by an orchestral
contratempo. This was rather
unfortunate as the audience would
have welcomed the chance of
listening to this talented combina-
tion unhindered.

Amongst the principals the
honours are easily won by the three
ladies, who are each to be sincerely
congratulated on their artistic
contribution to the success of the
opera. As might be expected
from the composition of the com-
pany, the dramatic atmosphere
was less in evidence than the
vocal, and more particularly from
the male principals, the sung or
spoken words were not always
audible. Notwithstanding, the
course of the plot was never for a
moment in doubt, such was the
realisation of the whole company
as conveyed en masse to the
audience. At the close of the
performance Mrs. Collett was the
recipient of a splendid bouquet
from Commodore Grace.

The chorus were generally well
trained in their parts, but lacked
unanimity in attack, and once or
twice got out of rhythm. An
occasional glance at the conductor
by each member would remedy
this.

The orchestra could be better,
at times the 1st violins took com-
plete charge to the detriment of
the vocal soloists. Passages re-
quiring anything like execution
were invariably faulty in intona-
tion, probably through excess of
enthusiasm in the players. The
beautiful and effective spinning
wheel accompaniment to the first
number could have been given to a
competent violinist in default of
the viola. The military profes-
sionals were mostly good their
playing being quite subdued and
well toned.

A complete memorisation of
the whole Opera by the conduc-
tor would add greatly to the
success of its production. This
would sound a tall order, but it is
only a matter of confidence. The
absence of any need to look on a

MOTHER'S ANXIETY.

**SON CHARGED WITH
MURDER.**

PETITION FOR RELEASE.

Claiming to be the mother of
the young Chinese who has been
committed to the Criminal
Sessions in connection with the
"tea-chest murder," an old woman
presented a petition at the Cen-
tral Police Station yesterday, beg-
ging for the young man's release.

Prisoner, named So Kam, was
one of the small staff of four in
a Connaught Road tea-packing
shop, the others being the de-
ceased master, the latter's son
and a cook who is a witness in
the case. Details of the case are
still fresh in the public memory,
the salient feature being the dis-
covery of the old master's body in
a tea-chest.

So Kam has been committed to
stand his trial at the next
Sessions, December 18, but he is
reported to be in very poor
health. Although quite robust
when taken into custody he is
now only a shadow of what he
was and takes hardly any food.

The petition presented by his
mother was of the usual Chinese
pattern, being a many-worded
document on an impressive roll
of red paper, folded several times
and with a black cover, edged off
with a border. She was told
that the Central Station was not
the place to hand in her petition
and was directed to the Magis-
tracy.

To one or two who happened to
be in the Police compound she
volubly protested her son's in-
nocence, explaining that the
culprit must have been someone
else.

CRICKET.

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score would be of such immense
assistance all round, that the
effort to memorize it is really
worth while.

In spite of the above remarks,
the writer judges the production
to be of sufficient merit to justify
a visit from the most fastidious
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Mr. G. H. Piercy.

Leonard Meryll (His Son),

Mr. H. G. Anniss.

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Jester), Mr. J. S. Gillingham.

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Player), Mrs. Stanley Collett.

Phoebe Meryll (Sergeant

Meryll's Daughter),

Mrs. Douglas Reid.

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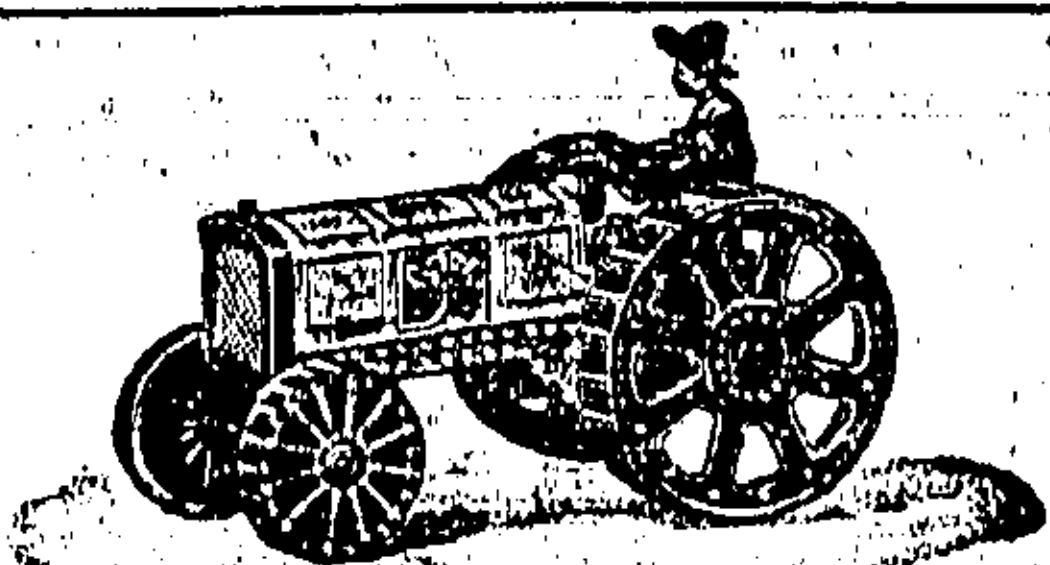
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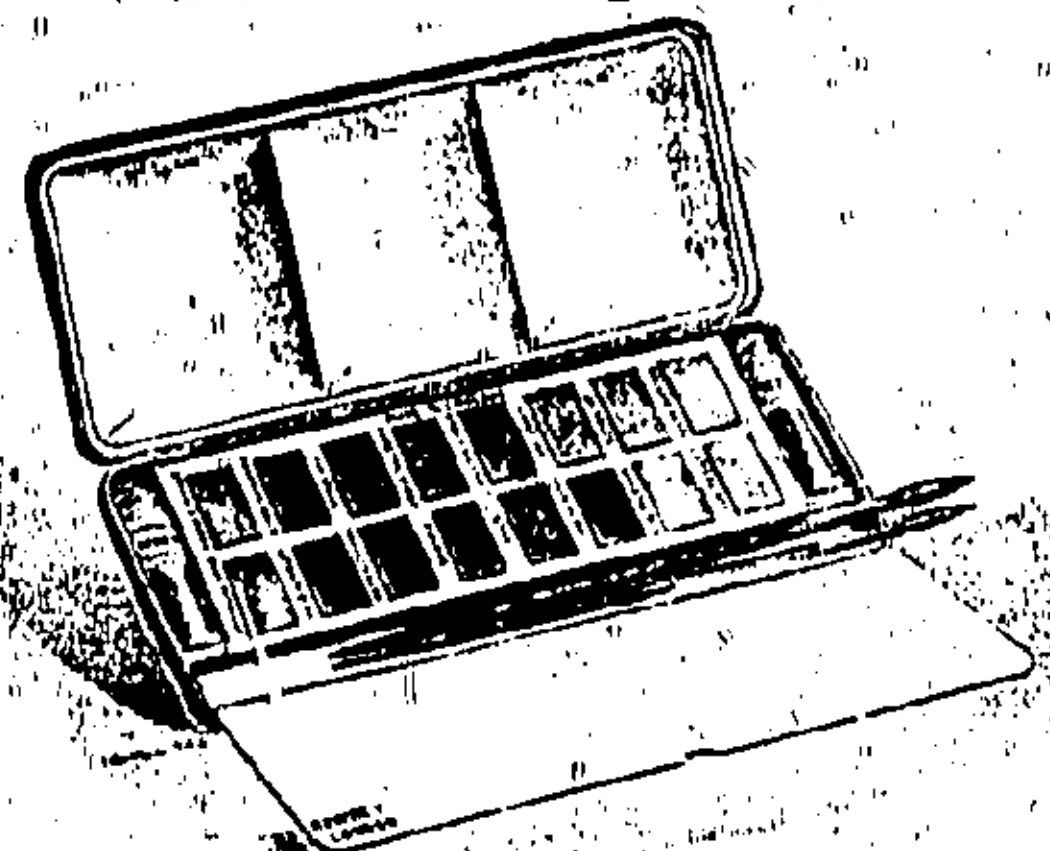
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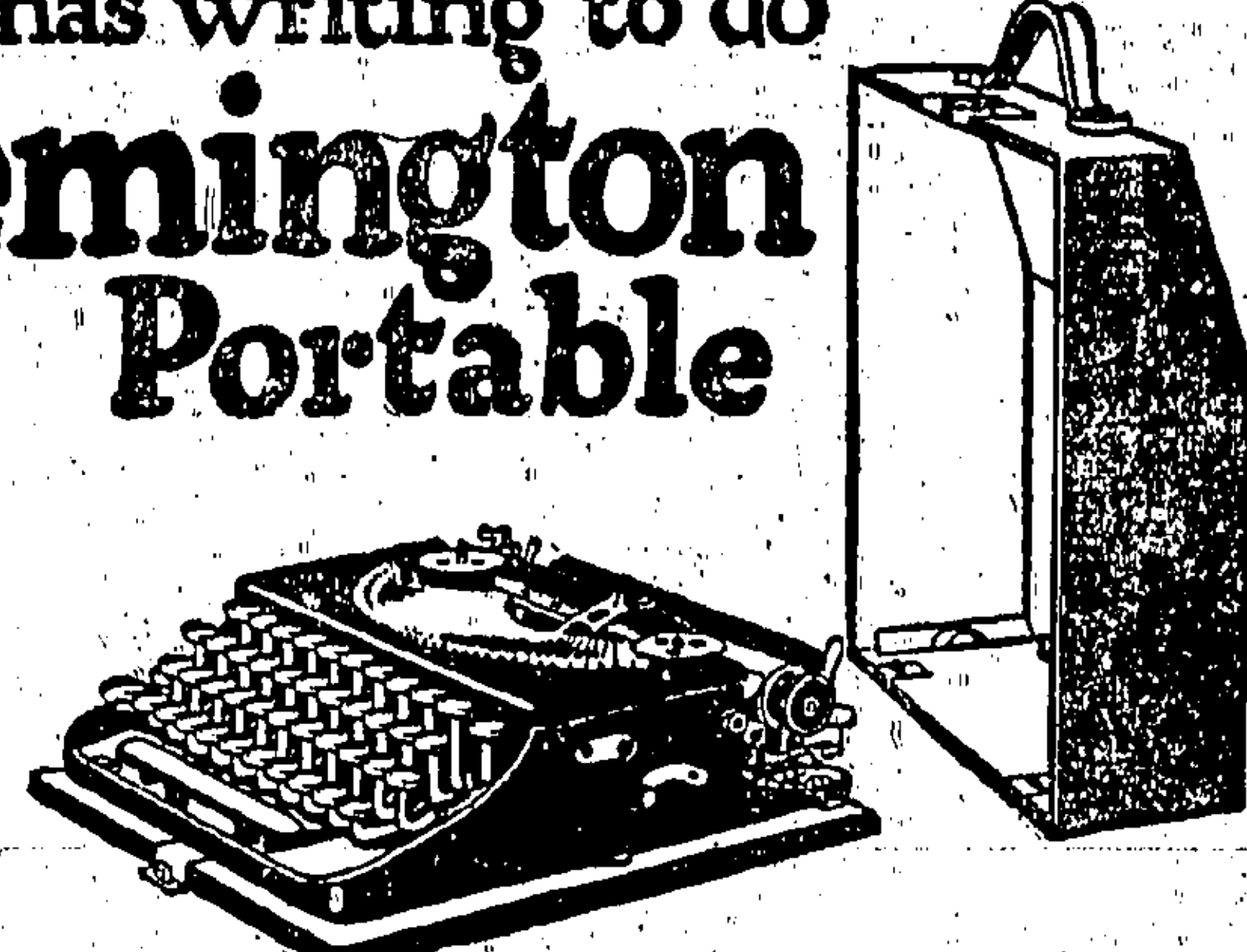
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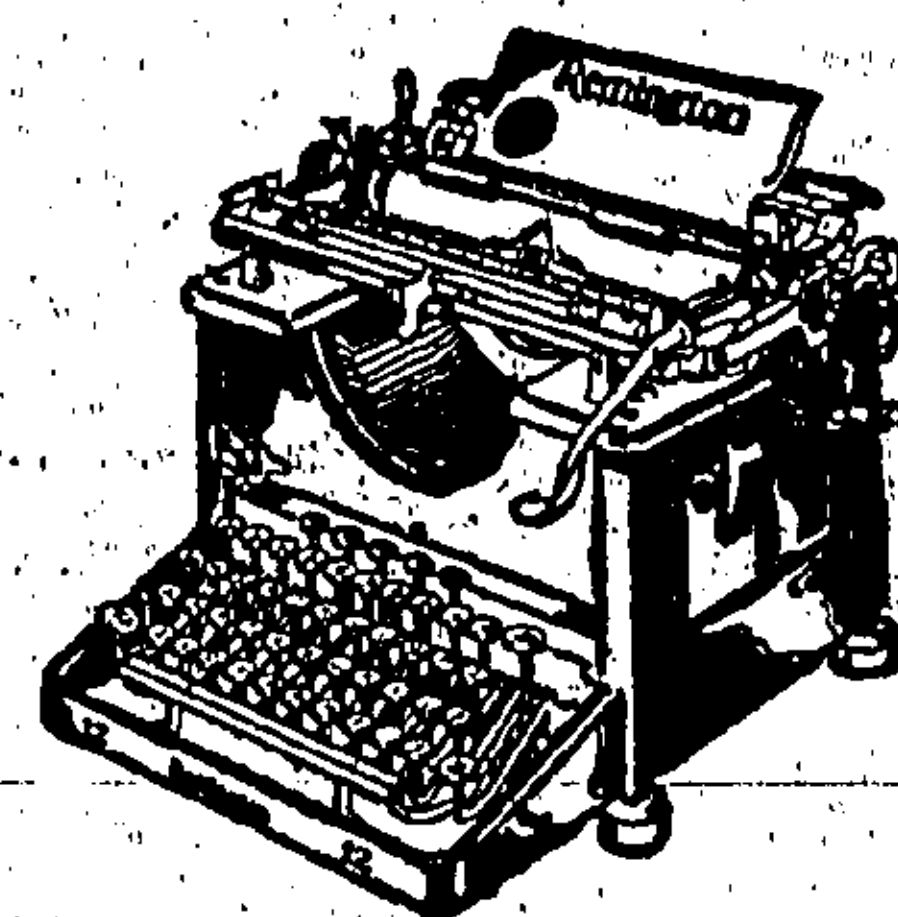
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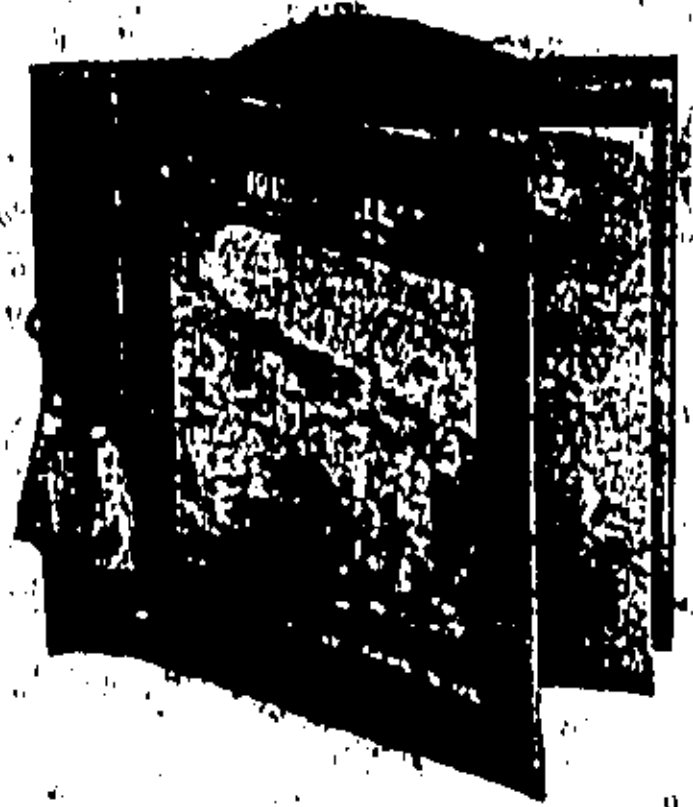
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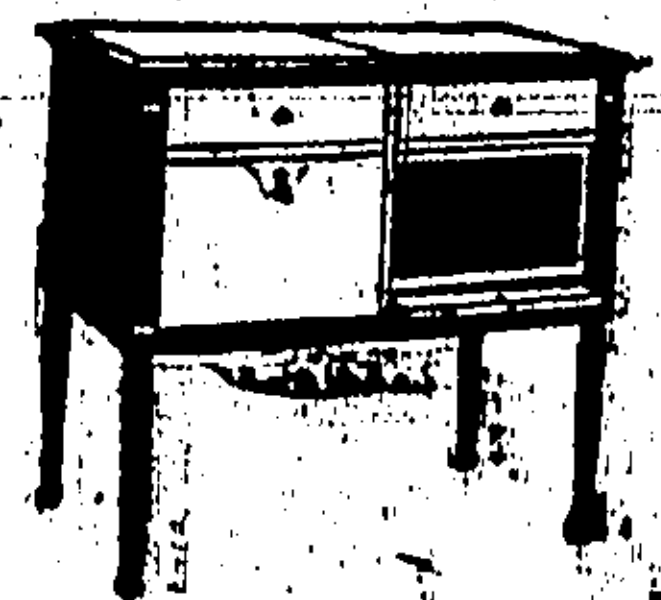
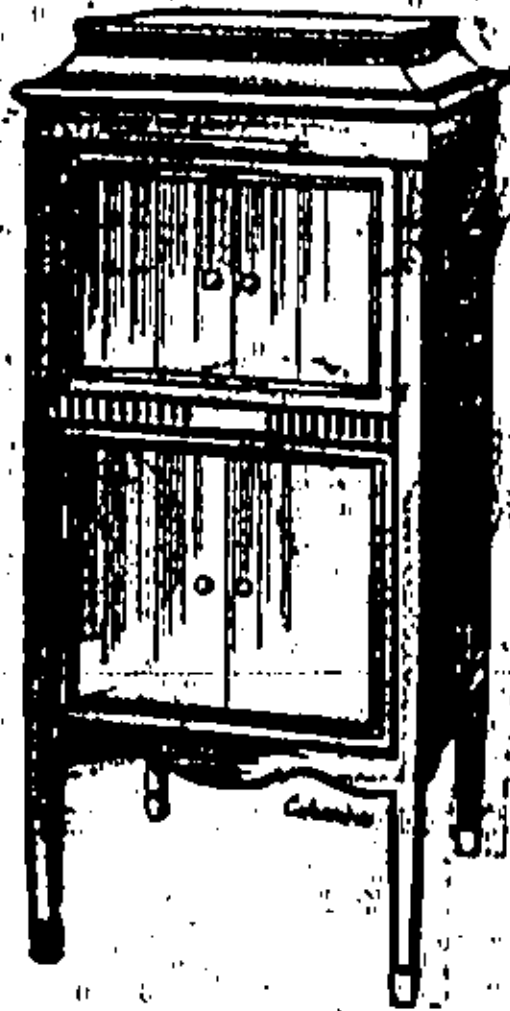
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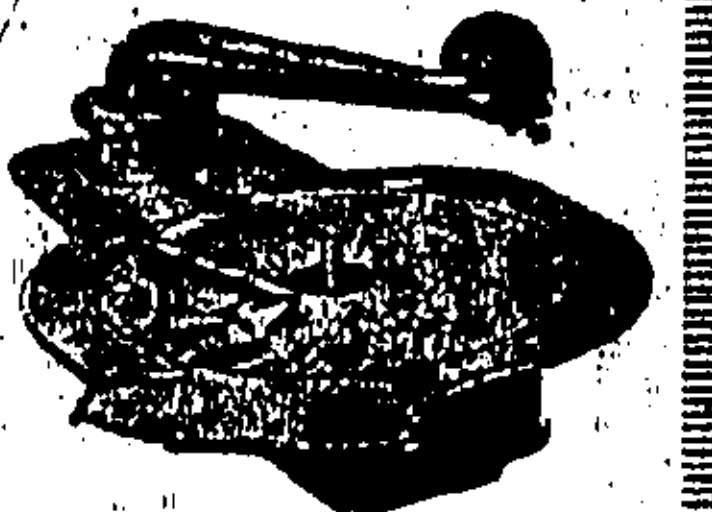


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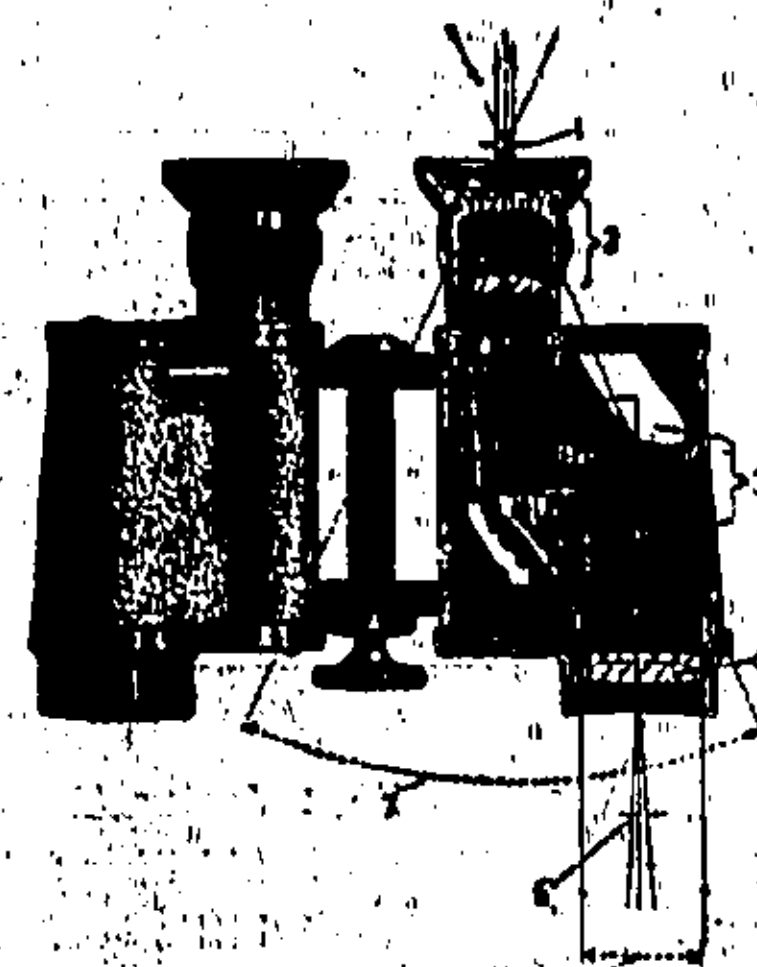
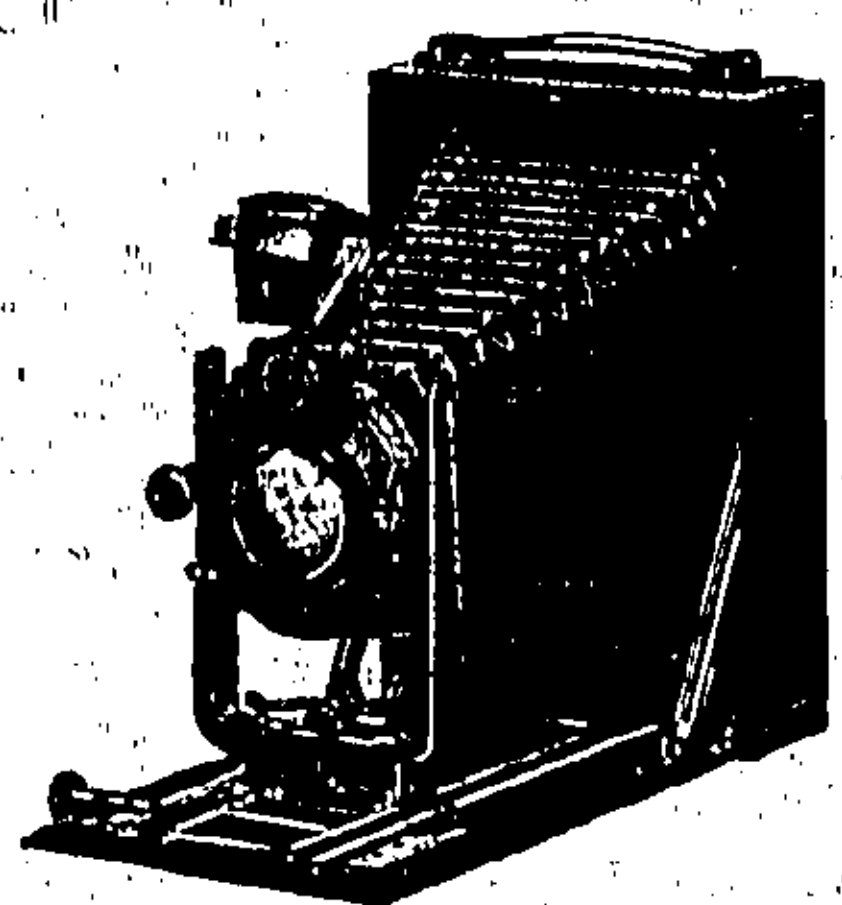


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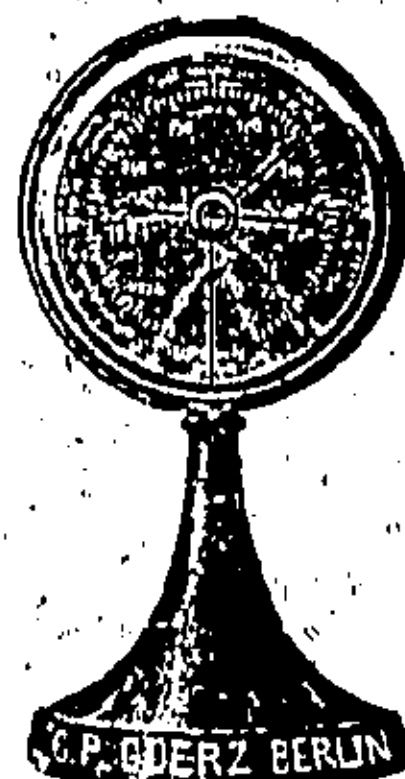
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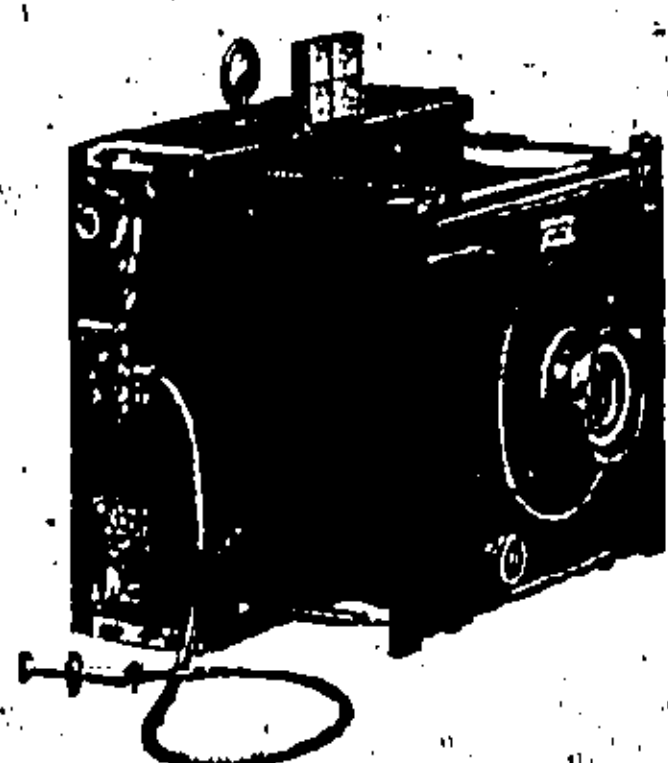


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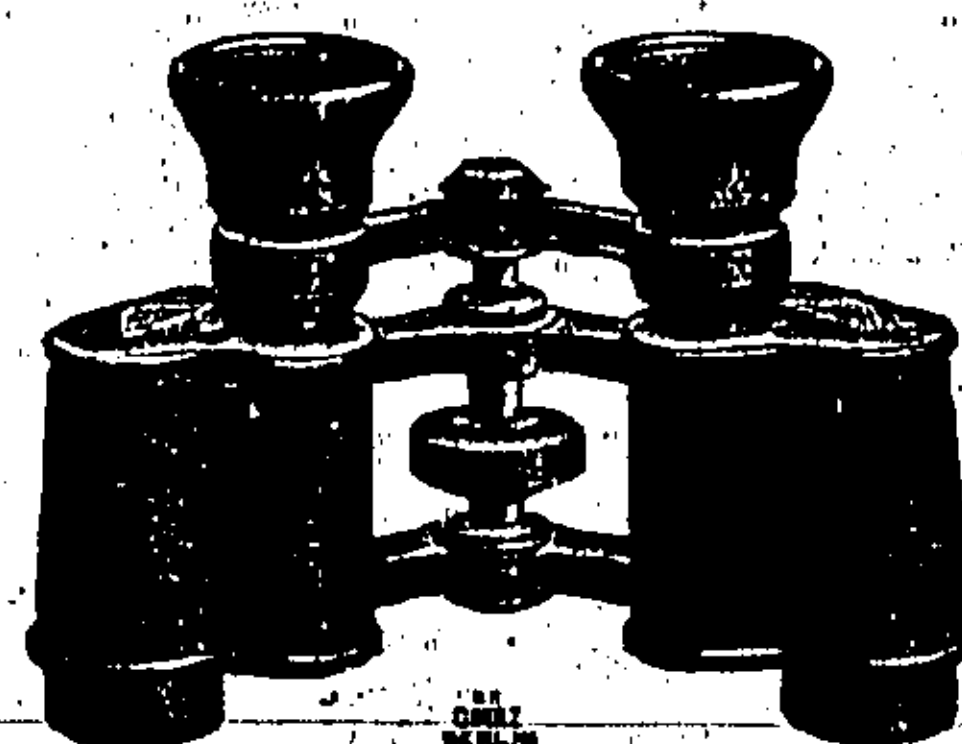
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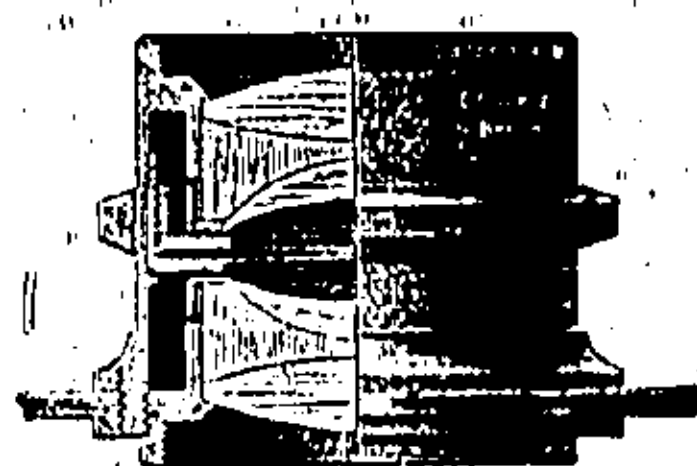
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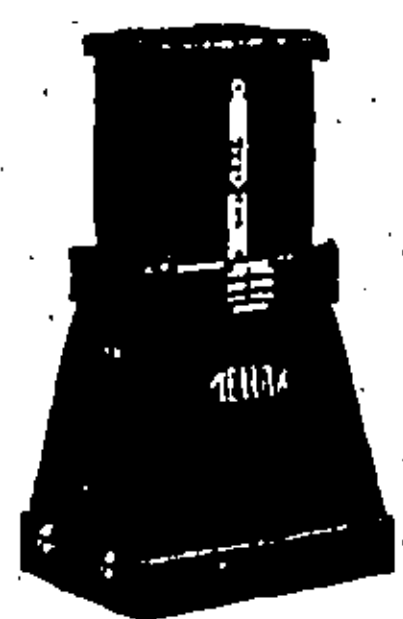
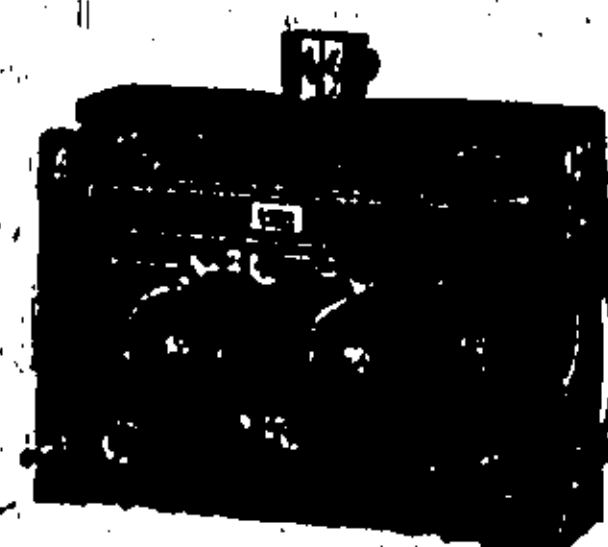


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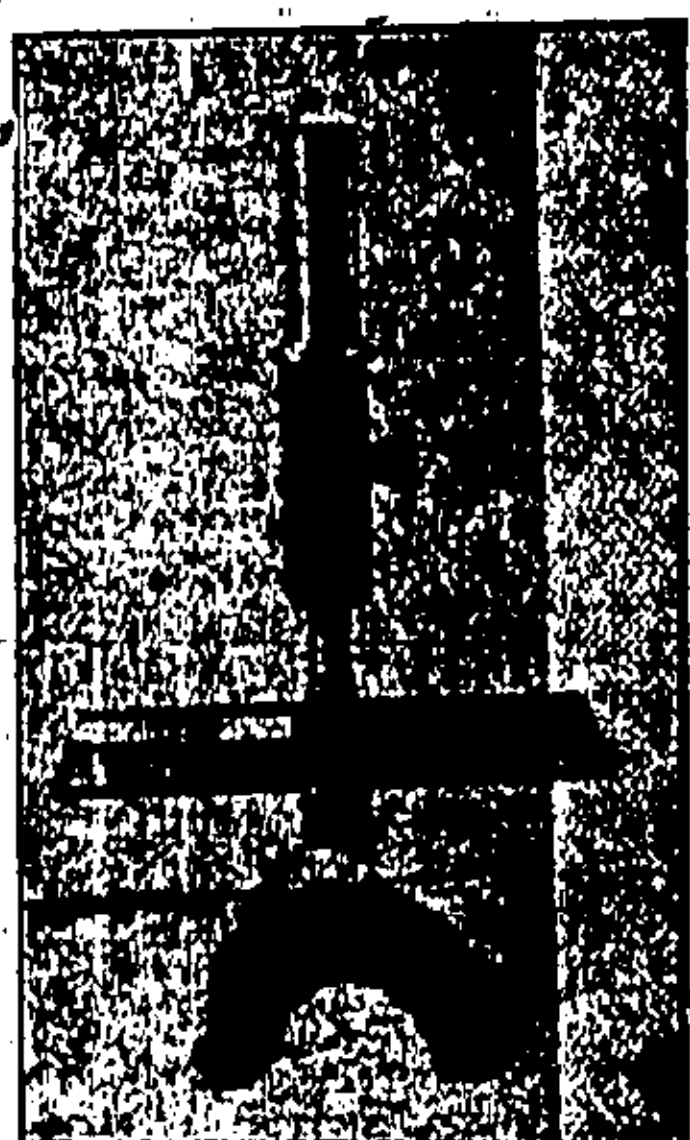
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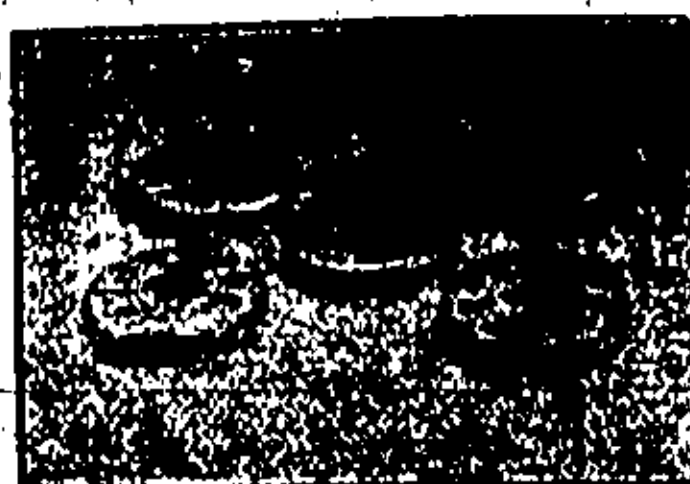
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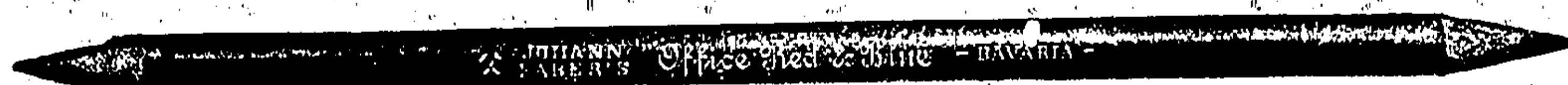


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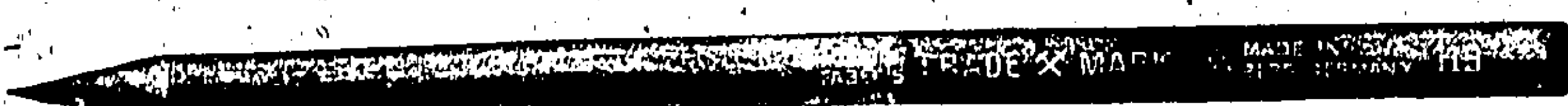
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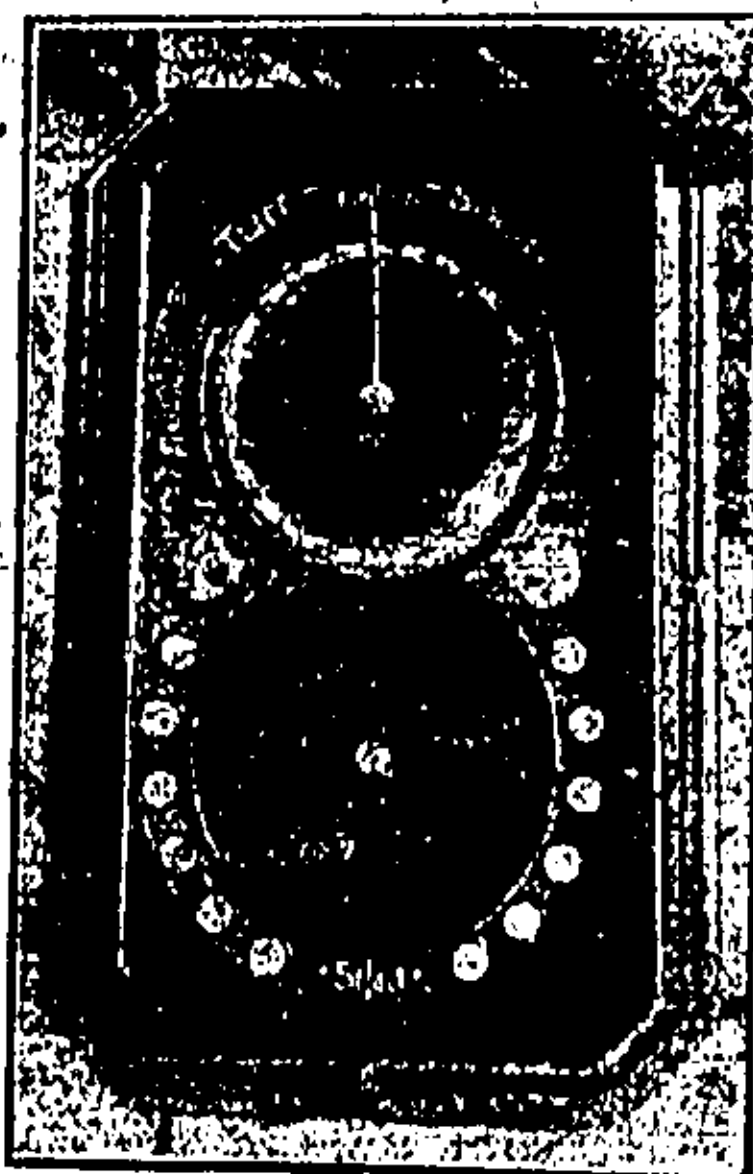
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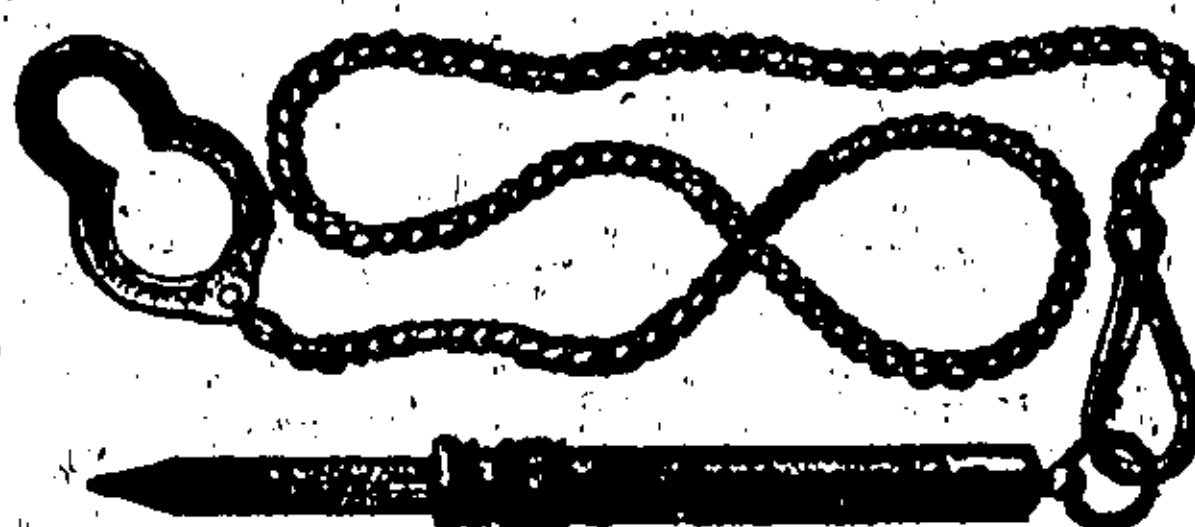
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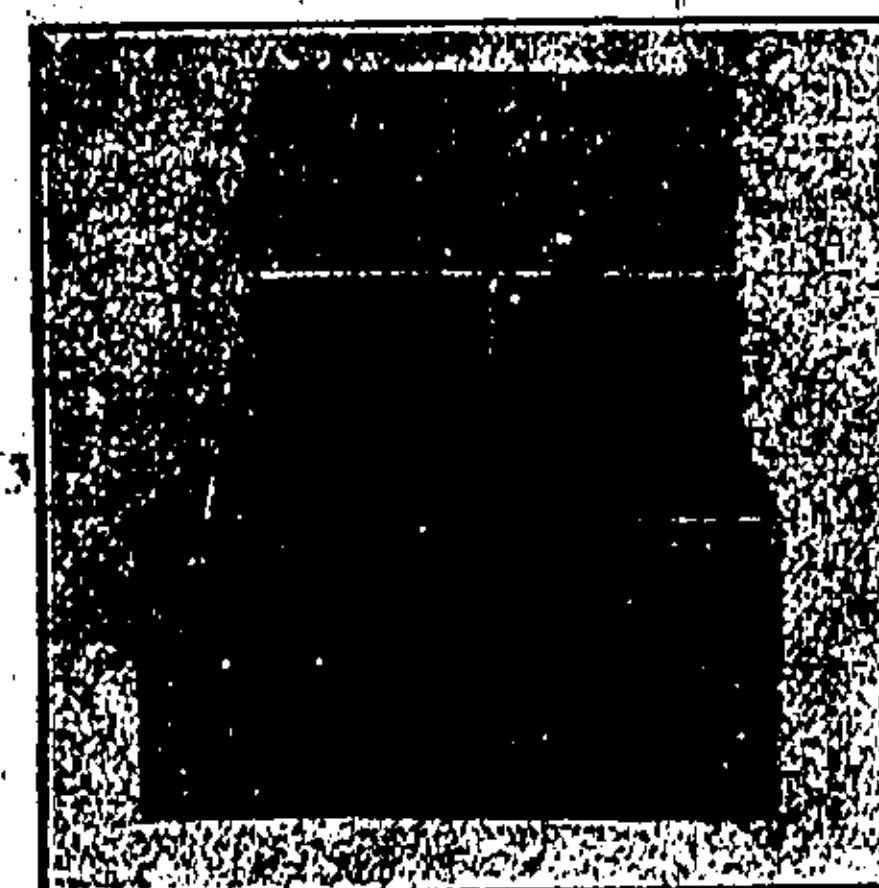


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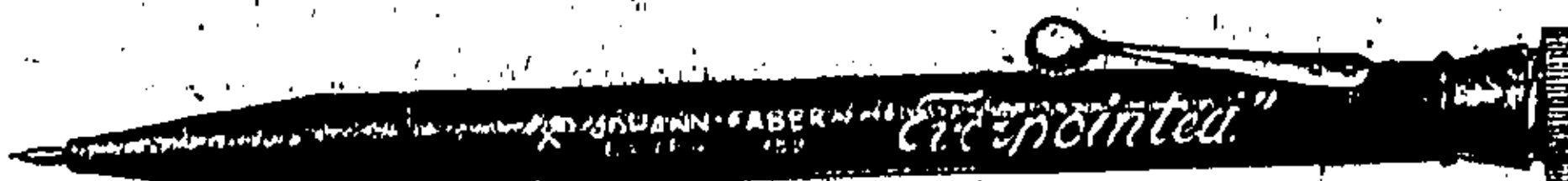
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TWO SHADES OF VELVET RIBBON MAKE A TURBAN

Crowns Rise To New Heights of Smartness—Graciousness of Line and Richness of Colour Distinguish Late Models.

A Paris news note gives us the information that the cloche is in return. Has it ever really been away—that is the question. Whatever the dictates of fashion may have been, and however out-of-style this smart little shape may have seemed to designers, the buying public—and that is what really counts—has consistently demanded it, and as always happens when it does—received it. It may have been cleverly disguised, even called by another name, but in some form or other it has had, and continues to have, a place in the mode. It is repetition to say it, of course, but when there is an outstanding reason for anything—a fashion, an event, or a condition—that reason will always be there. The cloche is shined and a small, close-fitting hat will suggest the frame that is most fitting.

There is a new hat of ombre felt that is most attractive. The felt itself is exquisite in its shadings; the crown has a Directoire tendency, and the trimming of velvet ribbon is chosen to blend with the shadings of the felt. In contrast, a shade known as "Bishop's purple," a regal, though subtle, shade that blends red with blue. Paris is wearing it, which is a credential not to be denied, and one may have a small, medium or a large shape in this glowing colour. A hat of this particular shade would be a smart accessory to a costume ensemble of subdued tones, for it is sure to be wholly wrong with almost any other colour or shade.

Any Group Shows Unusual Trimmings.

Variety and unusuality are the characteristics of the trimmings that one finds on the smartest hats. Designers have made a creditable attempt to popularize the medium-sized hat.

But the average woman will find comfort and smartness in the small shape, and there are more average women than any other class. The result of the war on the cloche and the vogue of short hair is a most amazing number of styles in hats of the popular size, and if a woman seeking a new fall bonnet comes home without one—for any other reason than that she couldn't decide which of the many to take—she is, indeed, hard to satisfy. For there are countless versions of many different styles, and all have their "points." There are vagaries of both crown and brim; there are beautiful materials; and there are rich, even exotic colours for those who do not care for black. Black hats are, just at the present time, outselling all other colours and shades of colours in a rather startling proportion.

Of course, the outstanding feature of the fall mode—as so far prevented—is the high crown, and we have many variations of it, some of them smart, some really beautiful; others downright ugly. But it must be remembered that what is smart on one will be unattractive on another, so one may not be too sweeping in generalities. But the square crown has not wholly replaced the round crown, although the former is, perhaps, responsible for the increased height seen in the latter. There is a version of the high crown known as the "telescope," which explains itself—and one may count on this feature to soften the definite square line that so many find unbecoming. Square-crowned models, in Directoire and position styles, have a large representation, but do not, by any means, overshadow the mode.

A Wide Variety Of Shapes.

The turban is another small hat that is meeting with approval from the type of woman who wears it well, and furnishes the variety that is imperative, it would seem. There are some wrapped turbans, developed in silver and velvet ribbon, frequently in two shades or two colours; there are Spanish sailors—trying to all but exceptional few; and there are hats. These shapes are developed in velvet, felt, hatters' plush, satin, combinations of these materials, and it comes to this, one finds

off-the-face effects, narrow and broad treatments and drooping effects. And there are some models that have the other straight or drooping. It will be readily seen that there is a most unusual variety, not only in shapes, but in the treatment of these specified shapes. Perhaps there is no better way of stressing this variety than to describe, briefly, some of the models seen in the smart shops, the models that seem to have "tendencies" that may, later, become realities. A group of models by a famous Parisian milliner stresses felt—so many of the collections do—and every shape in this smart material is small and close-fitting. The brush trimming has representation; there are brims wide, narrow, turned up, turned down. One's own face is imperative.

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COQUE FEATHERS ADD A NOTE OF LUXURY



A SQUARE-CROWNED MODEL OF HATTERS' PLUSH

The Fine Feathers of FASHION

Not wholly to the matching note of identity—fabric, trimming, colour—does the popular costume ensemble owe its unmistakable, chic and very definite charm; upon the choice of the scarf, costume jewelry—the so-called costume details—an equal value must be set. These accessories are really the "fine feathers" of fashion, the distinguishing touch that smartens unmistakably, as necessary as the homely cement that holds the stones firmly in their places in the sturdy wall. They change with fashion, and are even more susceptible to differences than the modes themselves, thereby bringing a note of variety to the monotony of between-season times and adding zest to the life of fashion itself.

The student of clothes—we are all of us that, to a certain extent—finds valuable information in the costume jewelry displays in the handbag section; in the glove and hosiery departments. The frock or suit of good material and simple lines, bought a season or two ago, may be smartened by some little detail that has, unheralded and unsung, on the display counter, or hints may be found in the fashion news columns of the smart shop advertisements.

One's morale is strengthened, out of all proportion to the intrinsic value of the thing itself, by a new hat, new shoes; even an odd bit of costume jewelry. And the costume details for fall wear are very smart and fascinating; it is imperative they be so that they may keep pace with the fundamentals of the mode. And even when an idea—the scarf, for instance—has

been held over from another season, subtle changes have been wrought in it, one might say that improvements in a hold-over are always imperative. It is thus with the scarf, which has grown rather than lessened in popularity, and some of the newest offerings are very beautiful indeed, notably the large scarfs of heavy Italian silk—direct from Italy. These lovely things are shown in the vivid native Roman colourings, and have hand-knotted silk fringes in matching colours.

Real feathers of fashion have been with us, off and on, for many seasons, but more uses are found for them just now, than there have ever been. We have come to expect them on hats and in fans, but designers found them a lovely and, withal, practical substitute for fur on evening clothes, so that ostrich—and marabou as well—played a prominent part in the formal mode for summer. If there were prophecies that the popularity of this trimming would go out with the cooler weather, those prophecies have been unfulfilled, for ostrich continues popular, its graceful fronds making lovely some of the most unusual of the newest models of frocks and wraps; wisps of it forming a background for the jewelled ornaments on evening slippers. And of Merry Widow hats and the small waist line—is vogue.

Since the short sleeve is the antithesis of the long—the latter obtaining in the tailored type of frock—strict attention must be on gloves. Many of the dresses and tunics that are part of the costume ensemble

have no sleeves at all, and a costume effect may be utterly ruined by an incorrect choice of handwear. In general, the trend is toward the short, gauntlet glove, although some few prefer the plain wrist-of-the-one or two clasp type. While these gauntlets are fancy, they are not as fancy as in past seasons, the simple embroideries, appliques and perforations in the majority. The shoes are stressing white and black, and black and white, the latter smart for general wear. Glace and suede seem the favourite leathers, and there is, as would be expected, in view of the popularity of the tones of brown, a wide range of the shades of the latter.

Since neckwear is "in" again, this accessory demands one's attention, for it is a short cut, not only to smartness, but to the making of a new frock from an old. The straight line dress—of the unbelated variety—has created a demand for the panel collar, which extends to the neckline in front, varying in width to suit the figure or the fancy. It is a new idea, and rather a smart one, to match one's neckwear to one's handkerchief, the touches of colour on the former matching colour on the latter. Kerchiefs are less colourful, that is to say, the more subtle shades seem to predominate, although there are many very gay, very bizarre bits of linen, silk and crepe de chine. The glove handkerchief is back again, and has its use in formal attire.

When it comes to costume jewelry the field is so wide that one may only enter it, but the one outstanding fashion is the vogue for artificial pearls. The fashion necklaces—two strand, three strand or "endless chain"—bracelets and earrings. The necklaces of two or three strands are very popular; the pearls finely graduated and finished with a sterling silver clasp set with an emerald, amethyst or sapphire coloured stone. Bracelets may be had to match, in two or three strands, and the clasp matches the clasp of the necklace. Lattice bracelets of pearls in even sizes, are graceful because they are flexible, and fasten with an ornamental clasp. Artificial pearls are to be had in white, flesh and pink—these three tones the most common; in gray, Domergue blue or pale rose; and the newest idea is the pearl in shades of brown. There are, also, some very satisfactory imitations of the black pearl.

The silhouette of the hour seems to demand the flat handbag, and so there is a wide variety of this type of bag. Some of them are called "band books," but whatever the name by which they are designated, the result is, eminently satisfactory. They come in rich, sturdy leathers and gorgeous silks and brocades—as they need may be, and may or may not have a handle. But it is imperative, though you may never have thought of it just that way—that the outline of the handbag conform to the outline of the silhouette.

A choker necklace of graduated beads in green, gold, silver or bronze finish is complemented by drop or stud earrings to match.

SEEN AT THE POLO MATCHES.

Fashion interest has centred, naturally, in the fashionable apparel that made its appearance at the Polo matches, when all society was on the qui vive, not only for the sport of the game itself, but for the presence among them of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales. The woman who appears frequently in public is, as a rule, a close student of the mode, and whatever judgment she renders may be accepted, in so far as it is practical, as final. And whether one's personal tastes be quite the same or very, very different, her decisions prove of interest. The first international match was played on a day calculated to latest ideas in fashion, for the turf emerald isle; the sky was blue above, and the sunshine was approvingly calculated.

Any description of individual costumes would be quite out of the question for the mode is proving so varied in its interpretation that to specialize on one would be to omit the many that have proven equally interesting and attractive. Certain lasting impressions were created, and it is to these impressions that our attention is directed. Taken as a whole the fashion display was—have we pressed our royal visitor with its beauty and its richness—if he had eyes for anything at Meadowbrook, but the players and the game. One could not but be impressed by the colour range, which included a very great deal of black; an almost equal proportion of brown—in its many rich and sombre tones; the red—green and the gorgeous autumn shades predominating; green—the "new shatter" shade—fuchsia, mauve, royal blue and mustard; and the

always smart, always satisfactory black and white combination.

There was a distinct emphasis on the costume suit, which appeared in many variations with the slim, one-piece dress or the tunic-skirt combination. If one cares to extend the costume idea to costume harmony, it will be safe to include nearly every ensemble present in the general classification. There were many whole frocks in evidence—either a plain frock of silk or a plain fabric banded in colourful, boldly plaided material. The new printed silks—polo inspired—were seen, and there were a few black velvet ensemble costumes. Coats were, to say the least, colourful, many of them richly embroidered and most of them lavishly trimmed with fur. The Directoire influence was apparent in many of the smartest models.

Hats inclined to felt or velvet, the former preponderant. There were a great many large hats, always carefully considered in relation to the silhouette, and the smaller hat, as a rule, had a pompon or brush trimming, placed low at the side. The small fur scarf was everywhere apparent, and usually it was of sable or silver fox; leopard seemed the favourite trimming fur. There was a matching note of identity in hosiery and gloves, many wearing nude hose and handwear that matched; and there were white gloves, as well, and black and white, or white and black combination. Partiality was shown the artificial flower—a gardenia or a carnation; and costume jewelry was, almost without exception, made up of pearls. There were long, two-strand and three-strand necklaces, and some of the smartest strands were made of more than one colour of these artificial "jewels."

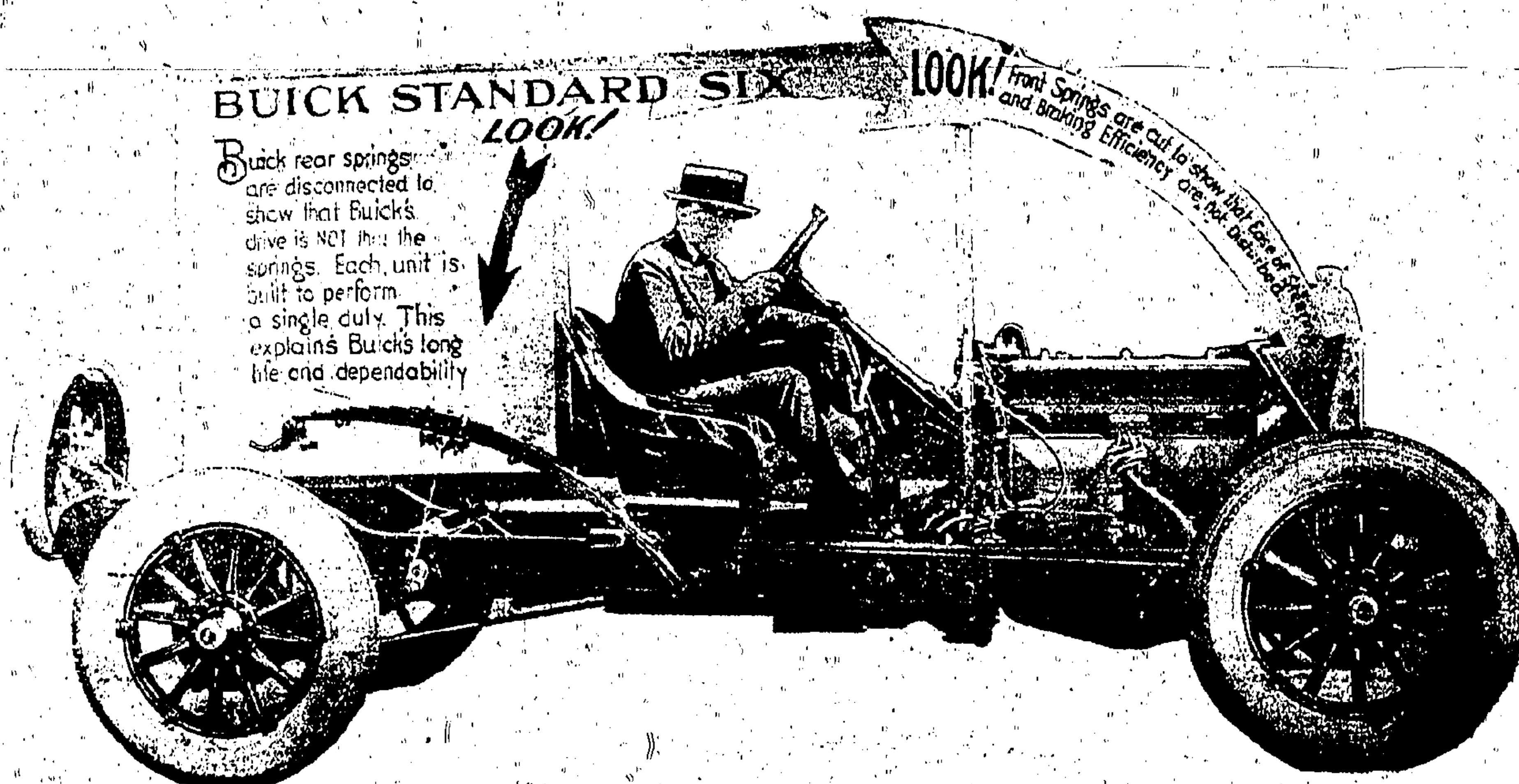
The Two Toned Ostrich Neckpiece Rivals The One Or Two-Skin Scarf Of Fur.

five possibilities, but typical of the fascination and allure that fall hats possess. Whether it be turban, beret or tam, Spanish sailor, postilion or Directoire model, of a single colour, several shades of a colour or all black—there is something fascinating about them every one, though to every one they are not all becoming.



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boulders far away from their home-rock and deposit them wherever the glacier happens to melt. These boulders are found hundreds of miles from the mountains where they originated and are proof that glaciers were once infinitely larger than they are today. Where a glacier finally melts all the rocks carried so far are dumped and form what is called a terminal moraine.

Ancient Glaciers Of Huge Size.
These moraines are found in the United States and in Europe more than a thousand feet high and so long that they form long ridges of hills. Geologists wondered where these great piles of unstratified stones came from and Professor Agassiz, after long study of glaciers, found that the huge glaciers of ancient times were responsible for them all. Sometimes so much loose rock and stone was brought down by a glacier that it blocked its own path and the melting snow had to collect until it rose above the barrier. In this way many lakes were formed. Lake Constance in Switzerland is such a lake. Around it are high hills all made from moraines. In the Rhine, formed by the vast glaciers of the north of Switzerland, filled up this great basin before it could progress.

Glacial Caves.
Sometimes when the solid glacier goes over great inequalities of rock there is a large place left under the ice. It is sometimes possible to enter these caves and look at the deep blue ice above. The color comes when the air is driven out of the ice by the pressure. This under glacial ice is often a beautiful deep blue and is very much harder and more difficult to melt than any other ice.

There are often formed, what are called moraines. In Lacerne the tourist is at once taken to the glacier-garden and shown one of these great mounds of moraines, which was formed perhaps thousands of years ago by one of the huge, prehistoric glaciers. The manner of formation is this: In some natural cleft or hollow of the rock surface pieces of rock which have fallen through a crack in the glacier are ground around by descending calacrets of water, formed by the surface-snow melting, until the hollow is worn smooth and the stones are polished and rounded. In this so-called glacier-garden at Lacerne the hollows are as if polished by human skill and the great stones within are perfectly round and highly polished. There is no glacier near at present but this was certainly formed under some immense glacier of olden time. Geologists say that all of Switzerland and much of Europe were at some time covered by tremendous glaciers, which carved out valleys and transported huge boulders and left moraines like hills all across the country.

In polar regions where the ice is often one or more miles in thickness as in the great ice-cap of Greenland the ice in its slow movement reaches the sea and is broken off by the action upon it of the waves and spray whose water freezes in its cracks. These great masses float off as ice-bergs.

Much of our knowledge of glaciers is due to the patient study of Professor Louis Agassiz, for whom the magnificent museum at Harvard University is named. He wondered, as many others have done, what caused certain phenomena, but he went to work and found out. The first stage in glacier making you have witnessed when you have hurried away from melting snow slipping from some sloping roof. The second stage is explained when boys mould damp snow into balls. Have you read of the long, slow ride of an English bridegroom in the heart of a Swiss glacier?

BY LILLIAN HAYDEN HESTON.

A few years ago a moving picture theatre in Washington, D. C., was full of people at a Sunday afternoon performance. It was in the most attractive part of the capital and many prominent people were there. Snow had been falling for two days and lay heavy on the roof. The sun came out and began to melt it. Suddenly the people in the theatre heard ominous cracks and before they could more than begin to worry, the whole roof crashed down upon them. The roof of the theatre was flat. Many were killed and nearly every one was injured.

Among very high mountains where there is always winter, far above the snow-line, the enormous weight of the constantly falling and ever increasing snow presses down very heavily upon the rocks, but they do not give way as the roof did. The summer's warmth does not melt the snow perceptibly—there is too much of it—but what little moisture there is trickles down through the snow and, with the pressure, makes what is known as neve, which means snow on its way to becoming ice. This moist snow can be moulded, like the boy's snowball and with the pressure exerted by the great

mass above, becomes more and more icy. The hard rock is below and does not give way as the theatre roof did, so there is only one place for the underneath snow to be pushed to, and that is down the hill. As there is a lot of it and more is coming all the time, and the whole mass is becoming hard and icy, it moves very slowly and accommodates itself with difficulty to the uneven slopes of the mountains. While in the form of neve pressure moulds it as the boy moulds his snow. The mass becomes harder and harder through the great pressure of the deep snow-fields above it. The ever-increasing moisture and freezing on its downward way into the warmer valleys where the noon-day sun is hot and the night cold, make it so hard that it has to crack open in order to turn corners. These cracks are often very deep and dangerous to anyone who attempts to climb over the surface of a glacier.

A Ride In A Glacier.

Many years ago an English bridal couple went to Switzerland on their honeymoon and as their hotel was near one of the big glaciers they went with the pressure exerted by the great

of most glaciers is very uneven and climbing over one is both dangerous and difficult. People wear shoes with large spikes to prevent slipping. The bridegroom fell into one of the large crevasses, as the cracks are called, and all attempts to get him out again failed. Men were let down by ropes to try and find him, but he had slipped too far to be found and the crack began to close as these cracks have a way of doing. A famous scientist was living there, studying the motion of the glacier, and he told the frantic bride that her husband would be carried along in the heart of the frozen ice, far down below the surface, until the glacier reached the lower valley and melted. He assured her that if she

came back in forty years she would find her husband still exactly as she last saw him, carefully preserved in the ice. She went back to England and did come back when she was an old woman and the glacier did yield up the youthful bridegroom, looking as he had so many years before. Stakes had been driven in the glacier and watch had been kept so that the place where he had fallen in could be located.

Glaciers Move Very Slowly.
Glaciers move so slowly that for many centuries it was not known that they moved at all. A student of glacial formation built a hut to sleep in on a glacier and went away for several years. When he came back

he found to his amazement that the hut was not in the same position with regard to some mountain-spurs as it had been. The hut could not have moved, so he concluded that the glacier had progressed and taken the hut along with it. After that very careful and accurate measurements were taken and it was found that glaciers moved slowly and that the laws which governed their motion were exactly the same as those governing the flow of water in a river. The motion was greater on top than underneath and in the middle than on the sides.

As the glacier proceeds great masses

of rock are broken off from the cliffs along its course and fall upon the ice. Gradually these form on each edge of the glacier what are called lateral moraines, or irregular bands of stones and rock. Two glaciers often unite and then the lateral moraines unite and form on the new glacier what is known as a medial, or middle, moraine. These stones sometimes fall into cracks and are held in the ice and dragged along the surface rock, making deep scratches. These scratched rocks are often found far from any present glaciers, but to a geologist they are evidence that glaciers once existed there. Glaciers also carry huge

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The picture closely follows the Belasco stage play of the same name from which it was adapted, and the plottings of the gold diggers are set forth in their most amusing, humorous aspects.

Hope Hampton, who plays the part of Jerry Lamar, the leader of a group of chorus girls, and Wyndham Standing as Stephen Lee, a rich business man who seeks diversion from his daily routine, are wonderfully fitted for their parts.

The story tells how this group of chorus girls, clubbing in an apartment proceed to extract in as much money and other valuables as they can from the men of their acquaintance. They go to parties, smoke, dance and enjoy life. Thus things go along until one of the young men falls in love with Violet Dane. This alone would have been enough to upset the tranquillity of things but to add to the complication, the youth faces disinheritance by his uncle who detests show girls.

The balance of the photoplay shows how Jerry Lamar sets the trap for the rich uncle, Stephen Lee, how she inveigles him into visiting her apartment and how he subsequently falls in love with a chorus girl.

The supporting cast is well portrayed by Louise Fazenda, Gertrude Short and others. It is a Warner Brothers' Classic of the Screen and a David Belasco production.

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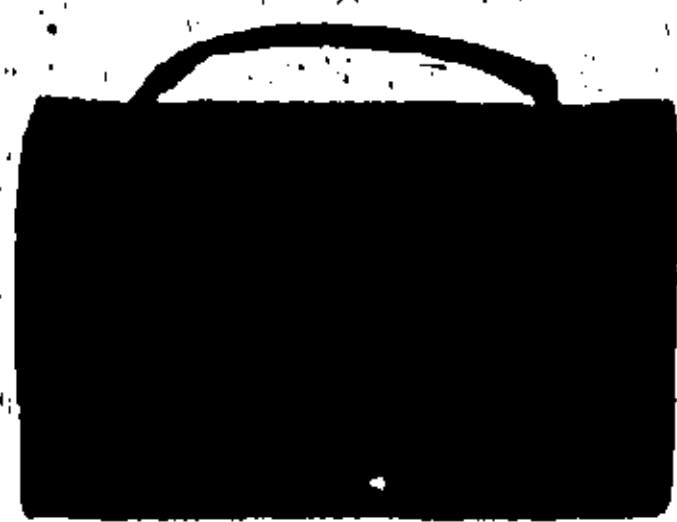
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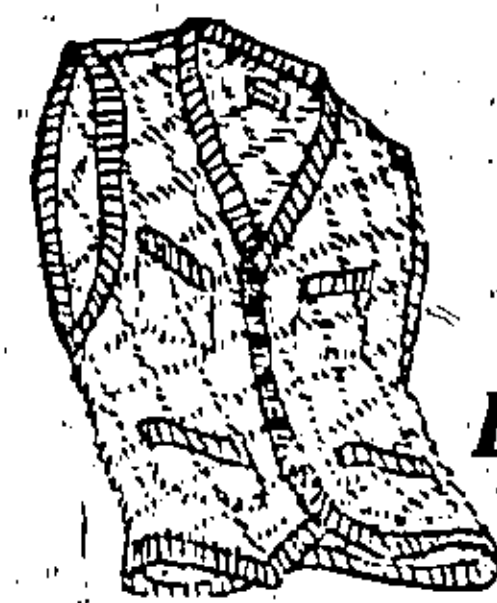
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Underwood typewriters, which Dodwell & Co. are particularly advocating as suitable gifts for Xmas either from oneself to oneself or as a present to some third person certainly can lay claim to excellent records. At the International Typewriting contest held in October of this year under the auspices of the National Business Show, New York, competitors working Underwoods carried off the three principle events—the world's open typewriting championship, and the world's amateur and school novice typewriting championships.

Particularly suitable for the purpose of a present is the Underwood standard portable. Legibility and speed have made the typewriter such an important factor in business that the demand for a portable machine for the travelling business man and for home use has become imperative, and this light, compact and strong little machine can well be said to be a if not the solution to the problem.

Another special feature among articles stocked by Dodwell & Co. this Xmas time are the Roneo ball-bearing steel filing cabinets. These are fitted with ball-bearing suspension slides, with a dividing shelf between drawers and drawer pulls and label holders made of steel.

nearly everyone is permitted a little indulgence at this season, will be met.

It is unnecessary to emphasize the advisability of laying in an ample stock of warm clothing—it is cold and will be more so a fortnight hence and in this direction too Sincere's are second to none for quality, variety and value. This is also true of the drapery and general sundries departments, a visit to which could not but prove profitable.

There is bound to be a rush, and shopping early, with the little ones in attendance, cannot be too strongly recommended.

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Gifts For The Kiddies.

No where is the spirit of Xmas more manifest than in the combined outfitting and toy establishments where, without stirring from the confines of the one building, the Xmas shopper may purchase gifts for all the family howsoever young or old they may be.

The impression left in the mind of the visitor to the establishment of William Powell, Ltd. is that the selection of toys for the children is particularly choice and varied, both in character and in regard to the depth of purses the prices will suit. There are models there which are perfect marvels of mechanical creation and there are tables full of those delightful "nothings" which in green and frothy settings form such an essential part of every kiddie's and many a grown-up's party or again, so conveniently fill up the odd corner in the stocking-toe or heel.

Gifts which many a mother will appreciate even more than the above in many cases are the little coats and other incidentaries of the kiddie's wardrobe.

Although particular attention may have been paid to the department catering for the children, those of the ladies and gentlemen have not by any means been overshadowed. In the former there are furs, fancy gloves, hand bags and silk hosiery which are a pleasure to look at, and although there may not be so much appeal to the aesthetic sense in the latter there is the stamp of smartness on the serviceable goods to be found there, such as ties, gloves, fitted dressing cases, cuff links, etc.

HARDWARE GOODS.

Where To Get Them.

Attention is drawn to the advertisement appearing elsewhere of Messrs. E. Hing & Co., who specialise in hardware and shipchandlery goods of every description. A visit to their premises at No. 15, Wing Wo Street, will prove of interest to prospective house builders, or those considering extensions.

THE CUP THAT CHEERS.

Messrs. Gande, Price & Co.'s Specialties.

The all-important question of stocking the cellar with wines of a high standard of purity and quality for the Christmas season is one that calls for no little good judgment on the part of the householder, for on these alone depend the success or failure of the many happy gatherings at Yuletide. In this connection Hongkong residents are fortunate in having Messrs. Gande, Price & Co., Ltd. in the forefront again, and those who have put off the matter for attention a little later on cannot do better than avail themselves forthwith of the ready assistance and advice of this firm.

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are offered in beers and stouts; the English bottled "Royal" beer, and "Boar's Head" stout, which is admittedly the best home bottled Guinness stout, being brands which should specially appeal to the taste of the connoisseur. Choice ports, clarets and white wines, sherries, champagnes and burgundies are specialties of Messrs. Gande, Price & Co., Ltd., and their resources will be appreciated on reference to their price list, or better still, by a personal visit. Their establishment is now more centrally located at St. George's Building, Ice House Street, near the Star Ferry.

The hamper system is again a prominent feature of their service. In this regard it is worth pointing out the saving effected by buying in hampers instead of by the bottle, as the prices are considerably reduced—or, in other words, the hampers are supplied at cost price. This is solely done to meet the convenience of their wide circle of clients and to convey an

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For their own sake as well as from the standpoint of loyalty, shoppers would be well advised to see that in their ardour to get bargains at this time of universal present-buying they do not overlook the claims of British workmanship. The impression left in the mind of the visitor to the Anderson Music Company will be that though goods may be obtained of various countries of origin the customers are given every inducement by prominent display and opportunity for testing to buy the latest models of British made instruments that are in stock.

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There could be nothing better for keeping the children amused during odd moments in the parties than the books of "tiny tots" nursery tunes, each containing three double-sided records and for those who are old enough now to be taking lessons an ideal little present would be one of the nice music carriers that are in stock. For the younger ones too there are books, some of which have beautifully tinted illustrations, containing the words and music of evergreen nursery rhymes, also toy musical instruments of all descriptions.

expression of their goodwill at Christmas time.

In addition to the above lines, Messrs. Gande, Price & Co., Ltd. carry stocks of high grade Manila and Dutch cigars, Turkish, Egyptian and Virginia cigarettes, and smoking tobaccos, all of proven quality and flavour.

XMAS FARE.

Why Donnelly & Whyte Should Be Visited.

Xmas is nothing if not a time of jollity and the choice selection of wines and spirits which is offered at this festive time by Donnelly and Whyte recalls the remark of Sir Arbuthnot Lane that the use of alcohol by the ordinary commonsensical individual who had sufficient intelligence to employ it in a reasonable manner was beneficial and certainly was conducive to more agreeableness.

Writing recently in a Home periodical this eminent medical authority, recalling a dinner which he once attended, given to the members by the President of a suburban medical society, who was a staunch teetotaler and whose hospitality did not comprise alcohol, referred to the indelible impression which was left on his mind by the dullness of the party and the apathy of the meeting which followed it.

All of which, as remarked above, has a bearing on the fare which the well known local wine and general merchants are ready to provide, for further particulars of which their advertisement in this issue should be referred to or their offices in Queen's Building.

WHY WALK?

There Are Taxis In Plenty.

The full enjoyment of the evening there should be a minimum of exercise immediately prior to and following the whirl and excitement of the ball or private party. Many an evening, otherwise perfect, has been marred by neglect of what might almost be termed the golden rule of never going out of an evening without seeing that one gets a taxi for both ways.

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No place, we imagine, will be more thronged this Xmas time than the premises of the Dairy Farm and no-one will be more satisfied than those whose wont it is to place their confidence in its beneficent powers.

any old hour and as regards expense, for one even, the cost of transit to intermediate levels is very little more than that of travelling by ricksha or chair and for more than one it is often considerably cheaper. Regarding comfort, few have not had experience of the cosy interiors of the cars of the Hongkong and Kowloon Taxicab Co. in which light may or may not be brought to bear on the subject under discussion by the occupants!

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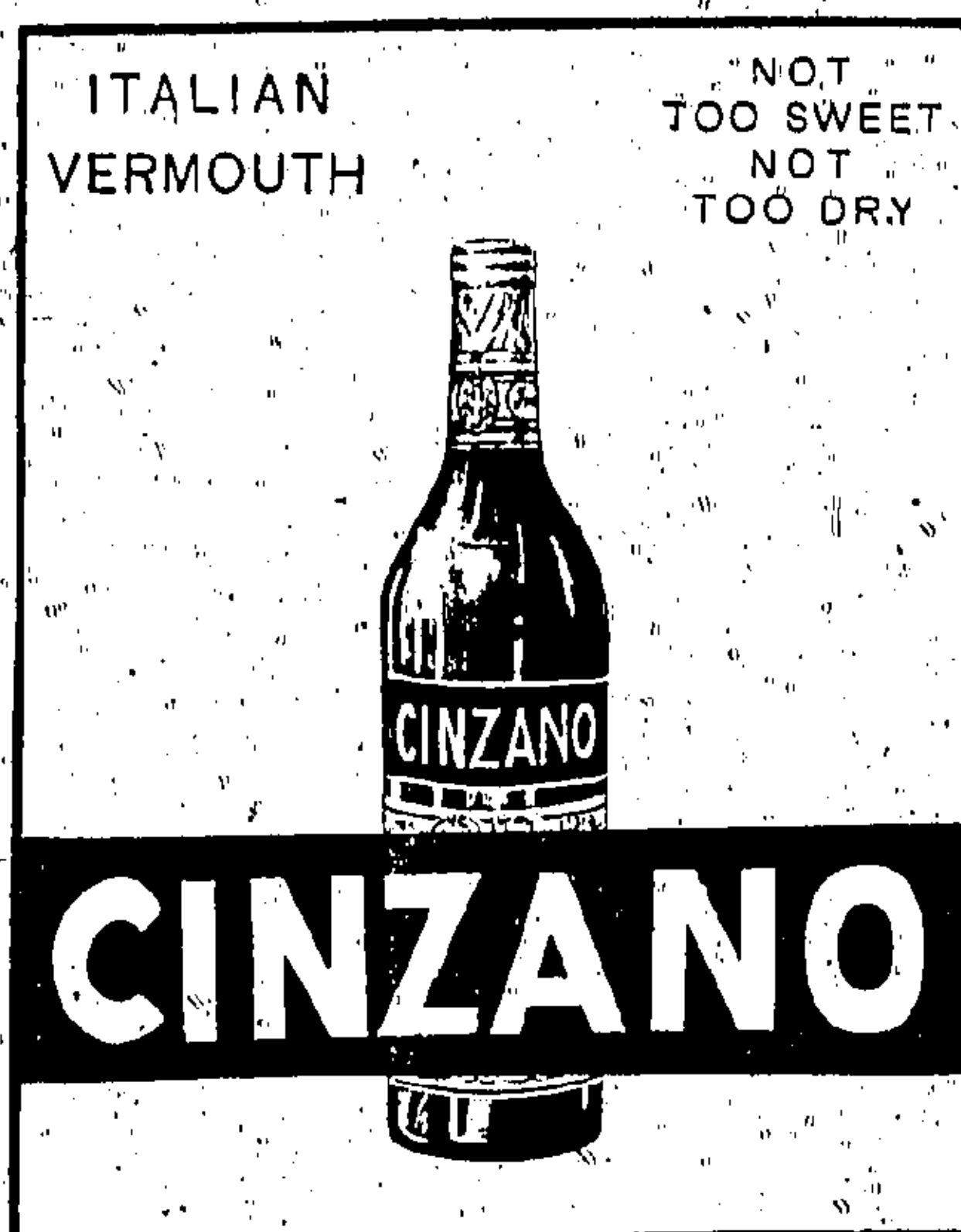
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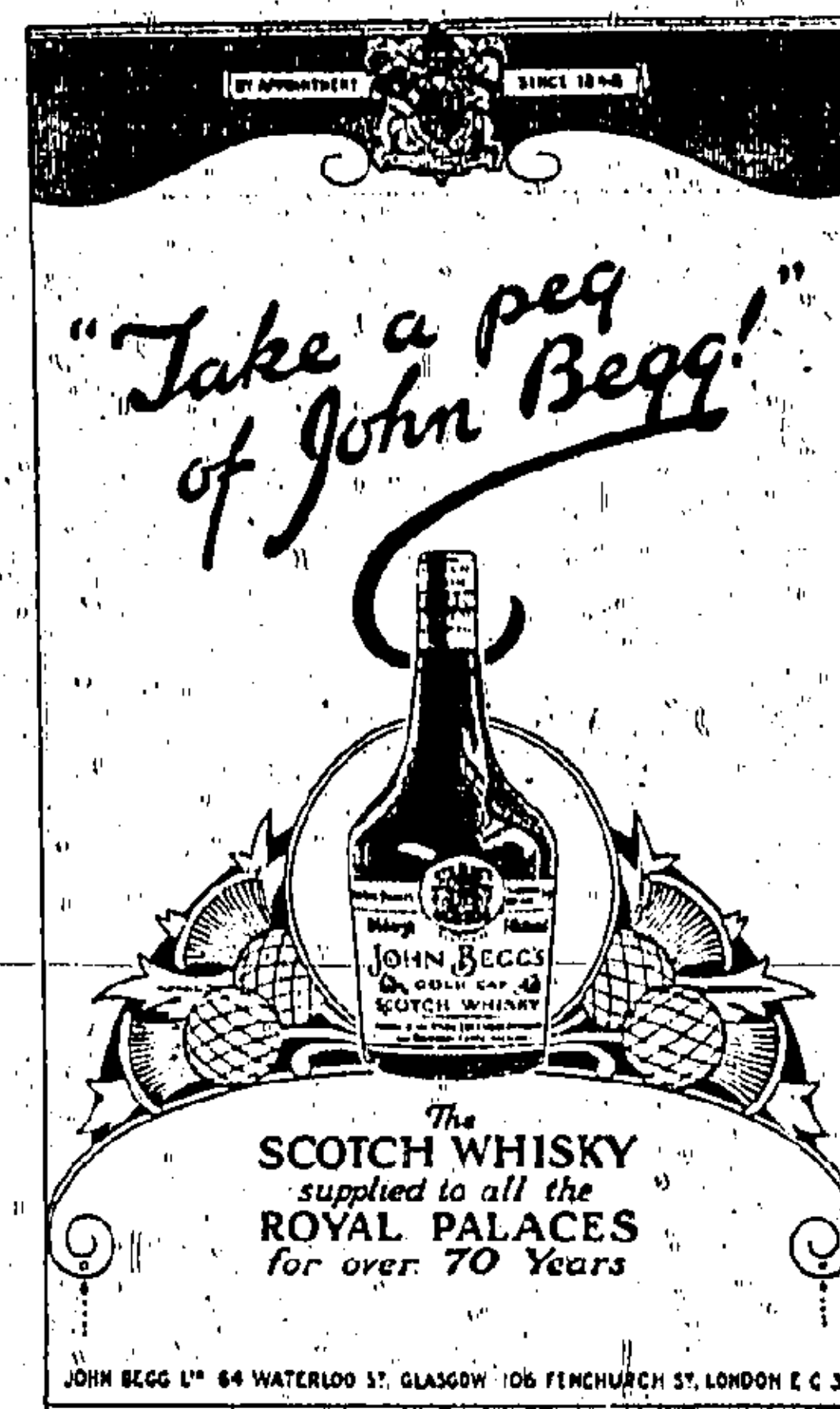
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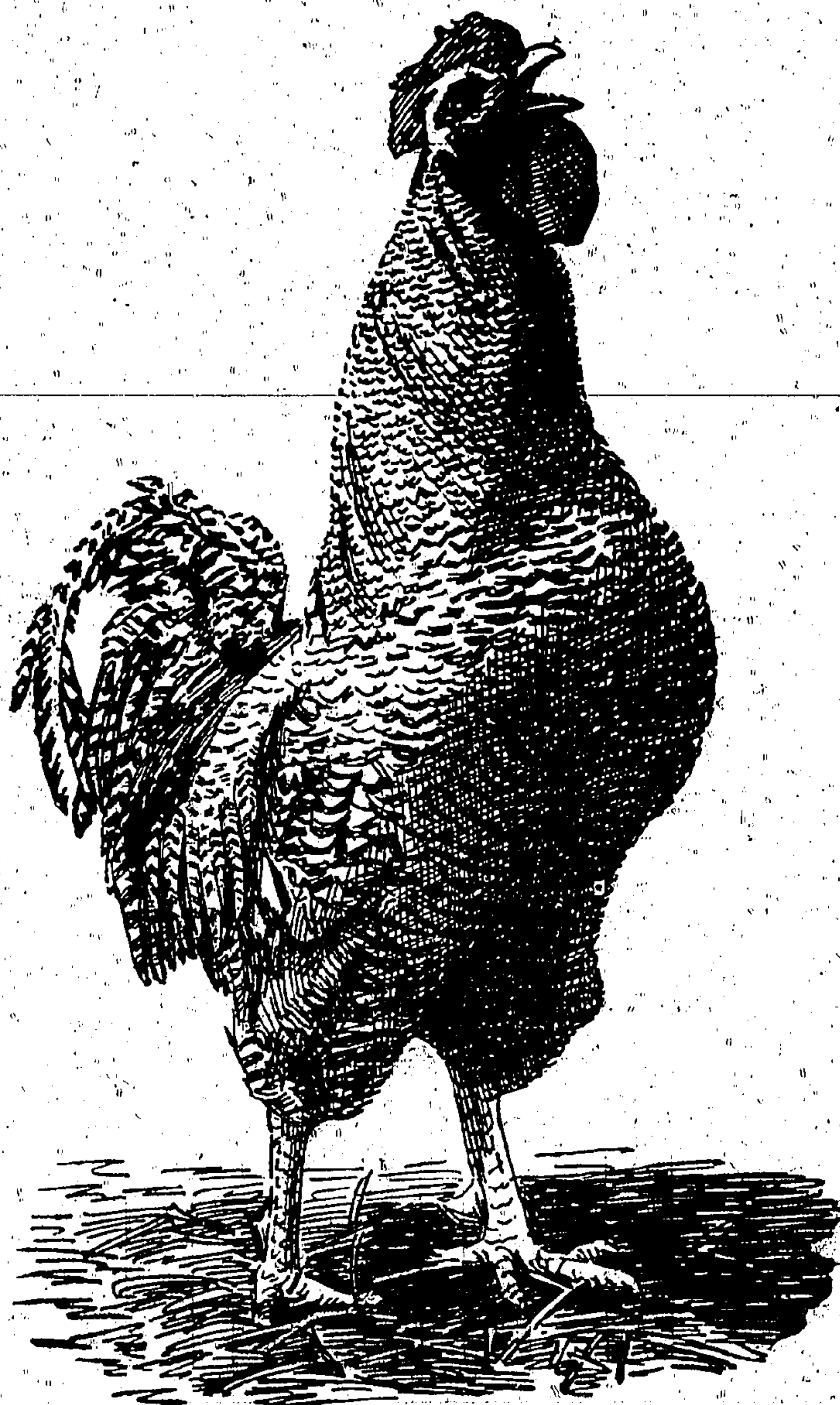
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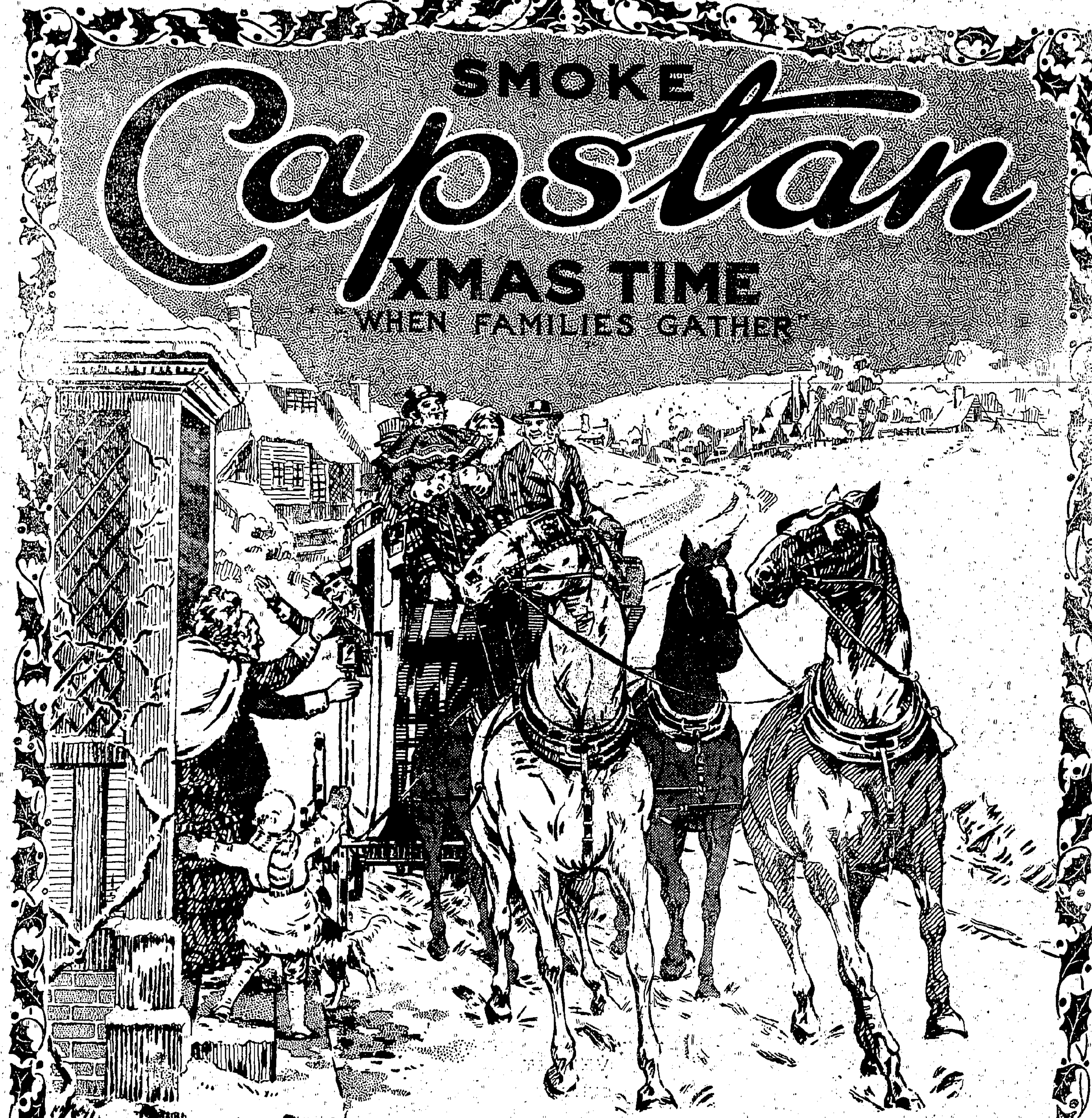

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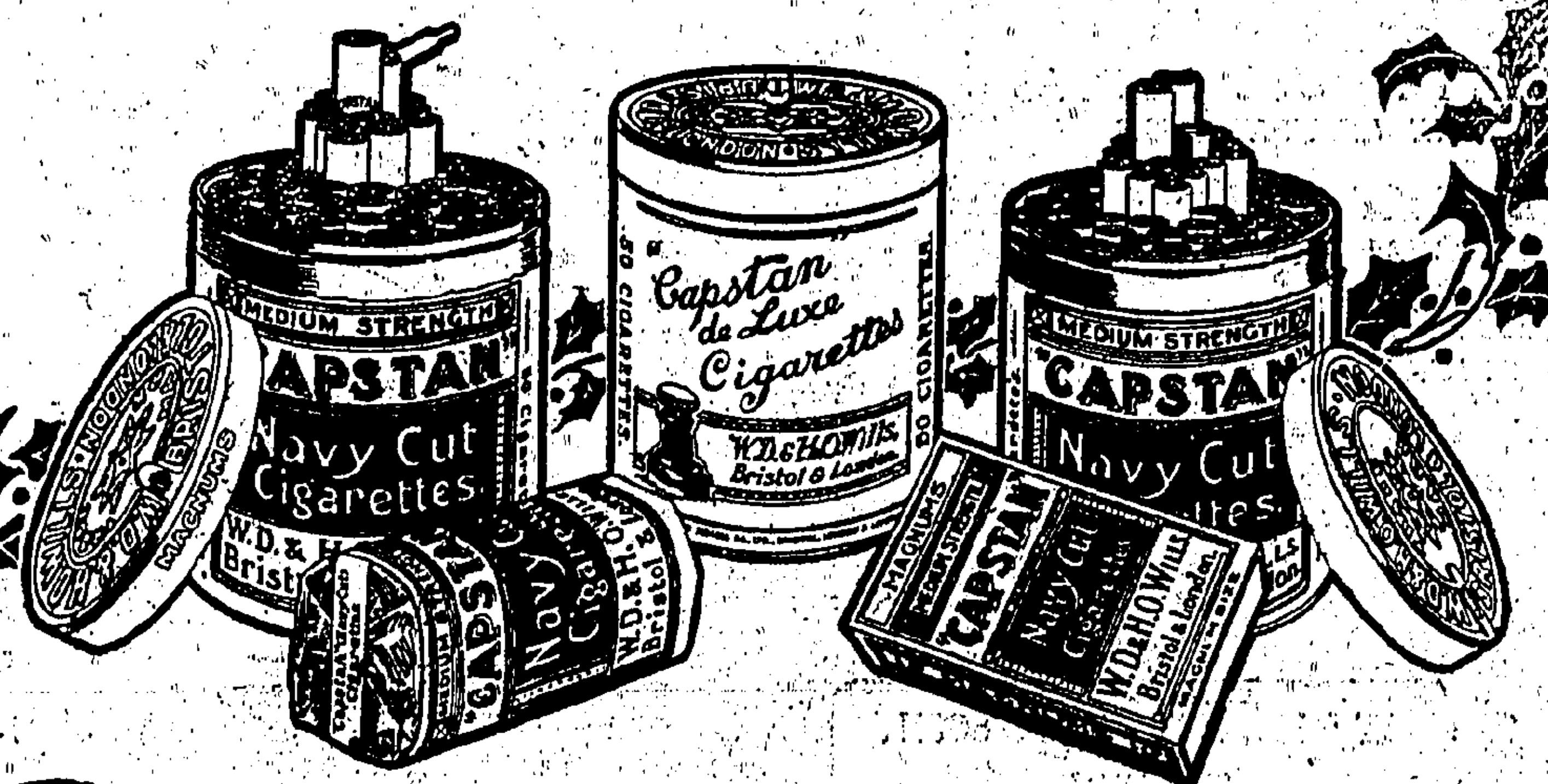

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OPIUM CONFERENCE.

WORDY WARFARE AT GENEVA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, December 12.
At this afternoon's plenary sitting of the Second Opium Conference, a lively and frank discussion took place on the American motion, to refer to appropriate committee the consideration of chapter two of the American suggestions dealing with prepared opium and having for its object the reduction of imports of raw opium for purposes of manufacture by ten per cent. of the present importation for 10 years with the understanding that the reduction should not be supplemented by domestically prepared opium. Furthermore that at the expiration of 10 years the importation of raw opium for purposes of the manufacture of prepared opium should be prohibited. The British, French, Portuguese, Japanese and Indian delegates combated the motion, contending it was outside the competence of the present conference and denying the right of the Second Conference to examine the labours of the first Conference, whose agreement would be signed on December 13.
The Uruguayan, Brazilian and Chinese delegations supported the motion. The discussion was adjourned until to-morrow.
Mr. J. G. Walton replaces Mr. Campbell as Indian delegate for the remainder of the sittings of the opium conference.

GERMAN BUDGET.

FEDERAL COUNCIL PASSES EXTRAORDINARY VOTE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, December 12.
The Federal Council has approved the federal budget for 1925. The extraordinary budget provides:
Expenditure Mks. 433,000,000.
Revenue Mks. 155,000,000.
The deficit of Mks. 277,000,000 will be covered by a loan, while a further credit of Mks. 1,500,000,000 will be required to strengthen the country's finances.
The ordinary "war burden" budget involves an expenditure of Mks. 1,236,000,000, of which Mks. 1,095 are for reparation purposes.

U. S. AND GERMANY.

WASHINGTON REPLIES TO BRITISH NOTE.

QUESTION OF RIGHTS

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, December 12.
The Government has replied to the recent British Note in regard to payment to the United States of claims against Germany being made a charge on amounts received by the Reparations Commission under the Dawes plan.
Claims The Right.
It is understood Secretary of State Hughes firmly maintains that America has every right, as one of the associated Powers, to make collections from Germany under the Dawes plan.

KRASSIN IN DANGER.

RUSSIAN WOMAN OUT FOR REVENGE.

ARREST IN PARIS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, December 12.
A Russian woman, armed with a revolver, who is alleged to have declared her intention to kill Krassin in revenge for the décapitation of her family by Bolsheviks, has been arrested outside the Russian Embassy and committed to jail.
The charge preferred is illegal possession of arms.

"IT AINT GONNA."

The rainfall for the month of November at the Botanical Gardens was 0.00 on 0 day, at the Matilda Hospital, Mount Kellett, it was 0.00 on 0 day, and at the Police Station, Tai-po, it was 0.00 on 0 day.
The lowest barometer at sea level was 29.95 at 15h. on the 20th.
The maximum squall velocity, as recorded by the Dines-Baxendell anemograph, was at the rate of 41 miles per hour at 22h. 45m. on the 23rd and 3h. 35m. on the 24th.

With reference to Government Notification No. 359 of June 13, it is hereby notified that from December 15, the evening weather report, which is at present broadcast at 1200 G.M.T., will be repeated at 1600 G.M.T., or immediately after the midnight storm warning, if any.

JAIL PLOT.

PRISONERS ATTEMPT ESCAPE.

STORY OF A TUNNEL.

Although nothing official has been divulged, some details have been gleaned about "an alleged attempt to escape from jail"—these being the words used by Mr. J. W. Franks, Superintendent of Prisons.
So far Mr. Franks has been non-committal, but taking all in all, it appears as if the prison authorities take the view that in any event the efforts of two enterprising convicts to regain liberty would have been nipped in the bud as a matter of routine.
That there has been a stir, there is no doubt as Mr. J. C. West, Chief Warden, is mentioned as having been forced to threaten two prisoners that unless they emerged from a hole, he would open fire with his revolver.
As far as can be made out, two prisoners—one doing seven years and the other five, it is believed, for robbery—who were in different cells in the main jail (as distinct from the branch reached by a subterranean passage under Old Bailey and extending along Staunton Street) had established communication, came into possession of a hammer and chisel if there were not two or more sets of these implements, and were digging a tunnel with the help of which they hoped to reach Chancery Lane, just outside the jail wall.
How long the jailbirds had been at work remains a mystery. The sewer pipe—which must have been close to their cells—enters materially into the story. It may have been that they first got into the sewer by way of the man-hole and commenced to dig or they may have been trying to dig to the sewer pipe through which they hoped to reach freedom.
It appears that the hard cement floor is covered over by planks and the planks were moved up before digging. The most reliable sources say that a small tunnel had been dug for two or even three yards and that the rubble was secreted under the floor-planks of the cell.
Surprise is expressed at the possibility of their having gone so far but the necessity of Mr. West's action points strongly to the prisoners having made considerable progress.

In the small hours of yesterday morning, the prisoners were discovered. When they moved into the "hole" is not known but it was about six o'clock when they surrendered. Another report is that sounds of tapping were heard and traced to the spot.

ARMED ROBBERS.

TWO SUCCESSFUL COUPS YESTERDAY.

Taking advantage of a door which was not locked, five men armed with three revolvers and two daggers gained entrance to the second floor of No. 561, Canton Road, early yesterday afternoon. They succeeded in getting away with money and jewellery amounting to about \$270.

A "TRUSTY FRIEND."
Another robbery was committed later in the afternoon by a man known to the master of No. 12, Yee Cho Street, third floor, Shamshui-po. Entering the floor during the absence of most of the occupants, he engaged in conversation a Chinese youth who happened to be the only person there at the time. After a cup of tea he left the place and returned soon after with two other men. The occupant was bound and gagged, and money and jewellery amounting to about \$93 stolen. One of the men carried a dagger. The so-called friend is now being looked for by the police.

DERELICT JUNK.

FOUR SURVIVORS SAVED.

Four men are reported to have been picked up from a derelict junk by the s.s. "Haimun" which passed it in Lat. 21. 46N. Long. 113. 23E. The report was made to the Hongkong harbour office on the arrival of the "Haimun" in port this morning. The survivors were put ashore at Ho Hau.

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WELSH NOTES.

CO-OPERATIVE READING SUGGESTION.

[By Ap Rhys.]

What about St. David's Society, or those members at any rate who would like to read them, taking in hand the provision of books dealing with the history of Wales with particular reference to the growth of Welsh literature? There must be a number of us who have to be content with reading meagre reviews of such books which if we had the money to spare we would not hesitate to send an order for.
Comparisons with facilities in Wales, for such co-operative reading must, of course, be considered in the light of the peculiar conditions abroad and the limitation of numbers of interested people but I am most grateful for the annual report of the Cardigan-shire Carnegie Rural Libraries scheme which one of my readers has sent me. It gives a very good idea of the demand there is for such reading in the homeland.
At first there was a tendency to regard these libraries as existing to serve the schools and their pupils but this misapprehension, I gather, is now fast disappearing.

Last year over one-third of the borrowers were adults, the proportion of adult readers being 37 per cent. and of juvenile readers 63 per cent. Fiction is still the most popular section, accounting for some 54 per cent. of the total issues. Of the other subjects biography, history, poetry, and religion also come in for a generous share. It is interesting to note that books dealing with art find little favour, for of the 40,508 issues only 237 had to do with the fine arts. Philology is not a popular subject, the total issues being only 89; nor, curiously enough, is philosophy; the total number of books issued dealing with philosophical subjects being only 96, and this in Cardiganshire, for long the centre of Welsh religious life.

No separate statistics are given of the number of books in Welsh which have been circulated. But Welsh books are dealing with the history and topography of the country and are in considerable demand. An interesting experiment has been made in the circulation of bound volumes of the Welsh periodicals.

"With proper guidance," writes a "Times" Educational Supplement correspondent, "the scheme for providing the rural districts with books may well prove of great importance in the development of proper relations between the schools and the rural areas. For, wisely directed, the schools ought to become centres for reading and thus for a direct communal education. The Director of Education for Cardiganshire has written to the head teachers of the schools suggesting that they should enlist the help of prominent local residents, such as the clergy, ministers, and public men, so that all sections of the community may be encouraged to read and to continue their education."

"The chief object of the library scheme is, after all, to meet the needs of the adult population, and the schools are being used, as they should be used, merely as instruments for the distribution of the books and to popularize the scheme. But there are many difficulties in the rural areas. The long distances from the schools, the hours of labour, unfavourable home conditions, where often the candle of oil lamp is the only light, all these limit the chances which the young men and women have for reading. The librarian suggests that the schools should be opened for a few hours on certain nights of the week, so that the books could be inspected and also read. If this were done—and it is well worth doing—it would have a two-fold effect. It would slowly arouse the sympathy of the parents and young people in the school, which they would in time regard as reading rooms and centres for quiet recreation, and it would also gradually work some alteration in the general structure of the schools, so that instead of the barrack-like institutions now scattered throughout the country districts one would find pleasant, attractive buildings designed to meet the cultural needs of the community as a whole and not merely those of the younger generation."

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CHURCH NOTES.

JUDGMENT.

Dr. Walker says that in every man there are really four men—the man the world sees, the man seen by the person who knows him best, the man seen by himself, and the man whom God sees. We can reduce the four to three by taking the first two together.

The world looks at each of us and sees a certain image of us. It observes single actions of ours and watches our courses of action, and gradually makes up its mind about our character and conduct as a whole. It takes in a general impression of what we are and gives it expression in a brief judgment on us.

From morning until night we are all of us passing judgment: we are passing judgment on the dead and the living, on those the most remote and the most unknown to us, and on those who are close to us, on the things of which we know nothing. Men and classes and nations throw back their judgments one at another, as if they were the most real and unquestionable certainities about which no one could doubt. West judges East, and East judges West—each with equal confidence, each on grounds which are held to be clear and strong. These judgments swell into what is called public opinion—the great force which was to do with the changes of society and institutions, which settles what shall stand and what shall fall. They accumulate into the traditions, the moral standards of a society or a generation, its governing beliefs, its tyrannical usages. And a great deal of it is righteousness, salutary judgment—judgment which supports what is good, which directs what is just and right, which brands and confounds evil. But the quality of human judgment is as various as the objects on which it is exercised. There is responsible judgment and irresponsible, there is deliberate and well-informed judgment and there is off-hand and cruelly ignorant judgment. And yet in a high sense and to most men it is a great and momentous thing to be judged of man's judgment. Very few of us are aware of the reinforcements which our virtue receives from the pressure of our neighbours' opinion, and the persistent impact of the moral sense that is diffused in the social atmosphere in which we move. A man generally lives up to what is expected of him. The organized life of which he is a part generally presses him into place and keeps his feet in the routine of duty. Hence the peril, when a boy goes out from the shelter of his home and the familiar faces of his native town, and plunges a lone swimmer unnoticed and unrecognized at first, in the turbid torrent of life that surges in a foreign city. The faults, the principles, the moral habits with which his nature is stocked, these he takes with him and if they be of the right sort, they will bear him up and he will breast the tide with a strong manful stroke. But all the more he will need them, because he leaves behind him the safeguards of loving, watchful eyes.

Christian public opinion, the expression of the Spirit of Christ in the united will, emotion, and intellect of human societies, has wrought, and is working miracles. It has raised the standard of purity, of honesty, of loving kindness; and above all, and including all, it has established the sense of brotherhood, of mutual obligation and responsibility. But it has not had its perfect work. It has been paralysed by timidity, the fear of persecution and ridicule, the fear of plain speaking; it has been seduced by temptation, the personal desire for ease and pleasure, the corporate desire for power and wealth. But more

than all it has been weakened by division, and obscured by controversy and by an exaggerated sense of the paramount duty of withstanding erring brethren to the face, because they are to be blamed.

LECTURE.

Under the auspices of the C.E.M.S. a free public lecture will be given in St. John's Cathedral Hall on Tuesday, the 16th, at 6 o'clock. The subject is the poet Browning and the lecturer, Professor J. N. W. Smith.

THAT HOLY THING.

They all were looking for a King
To slay their foes and lift them high;
Thou canst a little baby thing
That made a woman cry.
O Son of Man, to right my lot
Naught but Thy presence can avail,
Yet on the road Thy wheels
Are not
Nor on the sea Thy sail!
My how or when Thou wilt not heed.
But come down Thine own secret stair,
That Thou mayst answer all my need—
Yea, every bygone prayer.
GEORGE MACDONALD.

CHURCH NOTICES.

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Hongkong, December 14th 1924.

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8 a.m. Holy Communion. Choral.
11 a.m. Matins.
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Subject: Hell.
9 p.m. Evensong.
Preacher: Rev. R. J. Northcott, O.F.
Subject: Are miracles possible?

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SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

December 13.—Coronet Theatre: "The Queen of Sheba."
December 13.—Star Theatre: "The Fast Mail."

December 13.—World Theatre: "The Gold Diggers."
December 13.—Queen's Theatre: "Long Tak Sam, the world-renowned Magician 9.15 p.m."

December 13 to 20.—Theatre Royal, "The Yeomen of the Guard," 9 p.m.
January 12 to 17.—Hongkong A.D.C.'s production, "St. Joan," 9 p.m., January 14, 4.30 p.m.

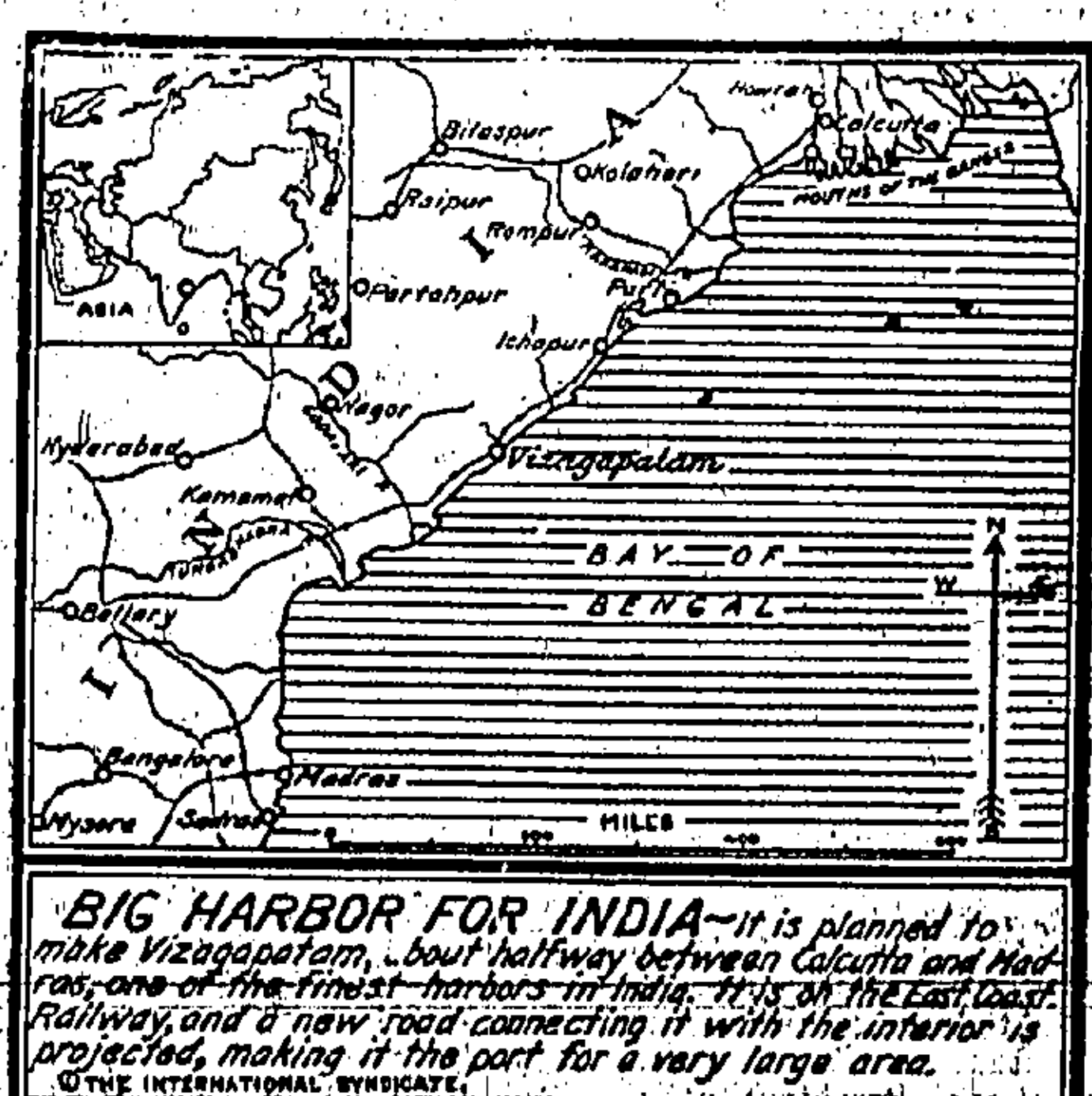
SPORT.
December 28.—Jt. Andrews v. St. George's Golf Match at Fanling.

SOCIAL.
December 13.—Fancy Dress Ball at Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.
December 13.—Children's Xmas Party, at Helena May Institute, 3.45 p.m.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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The Yuen Hang Yang Hong Company, Ltd., is given three months to show cause why it should not be struck off the register and the company dissolved.

An Open Lecture will be given by His Honour, Mr. Justice Gompertz at the Helena May Institute, on Monday next, at 5.30 p.m. Subject: "Some Popular Aspects of English Law."

The P. and O. Banking Corporation Ltd., notifies that it will remove from its present premises, 22 Des Voeux Road Central, to the new P. and O. Building on the 15th instant.

A Chinese was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday, suffering from injuries caused by being knocked down by a motor car. The accident occurred on the new road from Kowloon City to Shamshuipo.

About 5 o'clock last night, a Chinese passenger on the Star ferry either fell or jumped from the lower deck, in the middle of the harbour. The ferry was stopped, and cruised around, but the body was not recovered.

The Government proposes to lease a portion of the foreshore and seabed near Tsun Wan. The upset price for the lot comprising 1,300,266 sq. feet is \$65,013. The upset price for a similar lot at Cheung Sha Wan comprising 24,750 sq feet is \$18,560. Another lot at Shaikwan comprising 7,626 sq feet is also being offered, but the upset price is not stated.

Mystery, says a Manila paper, surrounds the death of Walter Henry Pierce, 61, a British subject, manager of Carlos Young's estate in San Pedro Tunasan, who was found dead on the railroad track near the station at San Pedro Tunasan. Whether he was struck by an engine while he was walking along the track, or whether he was the victim of foul play had not been determined. Constabulary are investigating. It is understood that he had enemies among labourers in the municipality, and by some persons his death is attributed to revenge.

Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Parsons returned to Shanghai by the "Empress of Australia" and are staying at the Majestic Hotel for the winter.

Sir H. Y. Gouin, Mrs. A. K. Craddock, Mr. V. D. K. Craddock and Mr. P. H. Holyoak arrived in Shanghai by the "Empress of Australia."

The Captain Superintendent of Police (the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe) returned to the Colony from Canton on the s.s. "Faishan" which arrived in the early hours of yesterday morning.

His old friends in Hongkong will learn with pleasure that Commander Thomas has joined H.M.S. "Hawkins." Prior to the war he was on this station with H.M.S. "Yarmouth."

The Eastern News Agency says that Mr. Yoshizawa, Japanese Minister, visited Marshal Tuan Chi-jui on the afternoon of December 5, and consulted him as to what steps should be taken with respect to the ex-Emperor, Huan Tung.

Owing to absence from Shanghai on a visit to America, Dr. J. B. Fearn has resigned from the Chairmanship of the Community Church and from membership of its board. His resignation was regretfully accepted with a hearty expression of appreciation for the invaluable assistance he has rendered the Church during the past two and half years, and as Chairman during an important formative period.

Shanghai's Finnish community on Saturday last celebrated the seventh anniversary of their country's independence and release from the domination of Russia. They acted as hosts to a number of friends at the Finnish Consulate-General, Rue Lafayette, which function was attended, among others, by members of the Consular Body. The Consulate was decorated with white flowers, signifying "White Finland." Mr. K. G. Watanabe, the Consul-General, briefly addressed the gathering, welcoming the guests and thanking them for their attendance. The toast of Mr. K. J. Stahlberg, President of the Republic of Finland, was then given.

Booking for "Saint Joan" opens on Monday next at 9.30 a.m. at the Anderson Music Store.

Coming into collision with a trading junk, a sampson capsized near the China Navigation Company's wharf yesterday afternoon. No lives were lost.

A correspondent writes to inform the "China Mail" that all the students of Canton Christian College have not been released by the bandits.

From Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., the "China Mail" has received a very charming calendar of a painting by Basil Woodhouse. The painting is called "Dorothy."

The King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the Ordinance for promoting the revision of the Ordinances of Hongkong and the Ordinance amending the Opium Ordinance, 1923.

The sub-committee of medical and pharmaceutical statistical experts attached to the second opium conference at Geneva have decided to recommend a stricter control over the consumption of heroin but not its total suppression as urged by the American delegation. The sub-committee also approved the figures submitted by the hygiene committee of the League of Nations laying down 450 milligrammes of opium and seven milligrammes of coca yearly per head of the population as a maximum necessary for medical and scientific purposes in countries possessing well-developed medical service.

Hon. Mr. Bruce has cabled to Lt. Colonel Amery asking if reports of Sir Esme Howard's speech at New York, supporting the Geneva Protocol, were correct. Sir Esme Howard in a speech at the banquet of the English-Speaking Union at New York frankly discussed the Geneva Protocol and stated that Britain might go further in co-operation with other European Powers or than the United States would wish to go, in order to bring about a condition of confidence leading up to disarmament and peace, but that "this should not be construed as implying any possibility of a clash between the two great English-speaking Powers, which possibility the other nations of the world must really learn to consider, as we already consider it, as one thing we will neither admit nor endure."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Dr. Ethel Mary Minett has been appointed a member of the Midwives' Board during the absence of Dr. Gladys Maude Fraser.

The name of Mr. C. R. F. Johnson, pharmaceutical chemist, of A. S. Watson & Co., has been added to the Colony's Register of Chemists and Druggists.

To-day's "Government Gazette" states that the Governor has declared Dr. J. C. MacGowan duly elected a member of the Sanitary Board for a period of three years.

The King has approved the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe's appointment as an Official Member of the Legislative Council, to-day's "Government Gazette" formally announces.

Master Danenberg, the 7-year-old pianist, son of Prof. Danenberg, will be giving two recitals in Manila during Xmas week, and will also appear again in Hongkong on January 8 at the City Hall.

When Mr. Knox goes to China next month in connection with rubber propaganda work there, says the "Malay Mail," he will probably be accompanied by Mr. U. Tai-cher, manager of Messrs. Alan Loke & Co.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen is reported by the "Shanghai Journal of Commerce" to have decided definitely to proceed, with his wife, to Russia at the end of this month. This report appears to confirm another which appeared in the "North-China Daily News" when Dr. Sun and his party left Shanghai, that Dr. Sun would go to Moscow. After a prolonged visit to Russia, Dr. and Mrs. Sun will tour other countries in Europe and America and will return to China via Japan, the trip to last about 18 months. The report states that Dr. Sun hopes by the time he returns to see China in a state of unity, peace and prosperity. Dr. Sun, according to another report, has agreed with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek not to interfere with present-day politics because they have both signified their willingness to support Marshal Tuan.

The Chinese cruiser "Hailong" has left Shanghai for Ningpo, whither she has been ordered by the Commander-in-Chief of the Navy, Admiral Tu.

Wegh Styles and Chinese Ideas, by Mr. E. J. Jones, of Shanghai, has been adopted as a text book by one of the foremost Continental Universities. Another Continental University has adopted "Chinese Speaker," by the same author, for use as a text book.

British Columbia canners will have a bumper crop of canned salmon this year. Already 1,350,000 cases have been packed, and a low estimate puts the aggregate returns from the canneries this year at 1,500,000 cases. Large shipments of the new pack continue to move out on every steamer for England.

Shanghai gentry and merchants have telegraphed to the Peking Government and to the Kiangsu provincial authorities at Nanjing attacking the Shanghai District Magistrate, Mr. Li, for maladministration and accusing him of retaining money from the public treasury and converting it to his own use. They ask therefore that he be dismissed and punished, and demand a public statement of accounts.

The strong public feeling around Shanghai against the continuance of the post of Defence Commissioner of this area is indicated by further representations from influential organizations in Shanghai. The Chinese General and City Chambers of Commerce, in a telegram to Marshal Tuan Chi-jui, urge him to abolish the office, and also to disband and repatriate all troops still in the neighbourhood.

The notification that the services of reliable Russian watchmen can be obtained from the Union of Russian Army and Navy Men has resulted in the employment of a number of these by various business firms in Shanghai. A number are still available; the majority of whom understand a certain amount of English. Applications, if made to the Assistant Commissioner, Sikhs, Shanghai Municipal Police, are dealt with by him in conjunction with the President of the Union, Lieutenant-General Walter. Watchmen are obtainable at \$30 a month, and these can, if desired, be placed under police supervision at an extra charge of \$5.

Mr. L. H. V. Booth has been made a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of Hongkong.

Mrs. A. B. Hickling, M.B.E., has been re-appointed a member of the Board of Education for a further period of two years.

To-day's "Government Gazette" notifies that Senor Antonio M. Marti y Valdes holds the King's exequatur empowering him to act as Consul for Cuba in Hongkong.

The French aviator, M. Bonnet, has broken the world record with a speed of 449 kilometres. The previous record was held by Mr. Williams of the United States with a speed of 429 kilometres.

Passengers arriving by P. and O. "Macedonia" from Europe included Commodore and Mrs. Stirling, Miss Stirling, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. D. Russell, Senator da Silva and Mr. S. H. Garrod.

Dr. Wellington Koo, Minister of Foreign Affairs under President Tsao Kun, is expected to arrive in Shanghai shortly, from Tientsin. He will proceed with his family, it is said, to the Dutch East Indies and the Federated Malay States.

Mr. W. Lowther Kemp bade farewell to Singapore, last week, after a long residence and very active business and public life in the East. He will be missed on the Legislative Council, where, as representative of the Chamber of Commerce, he brought the power of a keen mind, and a wide experience to bear on all the questions discussed. Mr. Kemp proposes to make a very interesting tour through Burma, India, Africa and Egypt before settling down in England.

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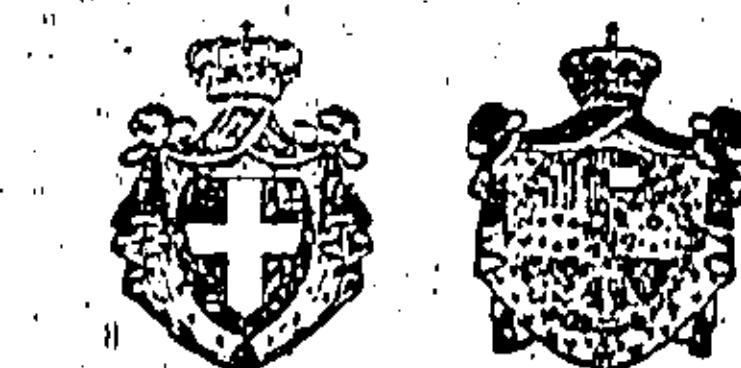
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VIEW OF "TRUTH."

It may be hoped that the latest development of the political situation in China will be followed in due course by more settled conditions in that country, and that ultimately holders of the Government bonds will regularly get their interest, says the Financial Editor of "Truth." Before the war China had an excellent record in this respect, though probably the service of the loans would not on all occasions have been regularly met had it not been for the control of hypothecated revenues by European bankers. China, of course, is in default upon one or two other obligations, such as the 8 percent sterling bills and 8 percent Treasury notes, and in the circumstances investors who may be tempted by the improved political conditions to buy Chinese bonds would do well to confine their attention to those which are specifically secured upon the Customs or other revenue.

Somewhat curiously, a French issue has the first claim upon the maritime customs of China. This is the 4 percent, 1895 loan, which is redeemable by annual drawings at par. Although the bonds are in the denominations of francs, the principal and interest are payable in London, Amsterdam, and various other places. The 5 percent, 1896 loan, which ranks next besides being secured upon the maritime customs of the treaty ports, is also collaterally secured by the deposit with the issuing banks in China of sterling customs bonds equal to the total amount of the loan. As it is redeemable by 36 annual drawings which began in 1897, the loan has only another nine years' life, which explains the current quotation of about 93. At this figure the yield to a purchaser is a little over 6 percent, allowing for redemption. The 4½ percent, 1898 loan, besides constituting a charge upon the maritime customs, subject to the 1895 and 1896 loans, is a first charge on the general 11-kin of various ports and districts. These 11-kin revenues have been placed under the control of the Inspector-General of Maritime Customs, and if they should prove to be insufficient for the service of the bonds the Chinese Government has undertaken to annex other revenue for the purpose. It is also collaterally secured by a deposit of bonds as in the case of the 1895 loan. It is redeemable at par by 45 annual drawings, which commenced in 1899; and at the current price of 80 the yield, with redemption, is fully 6½ percent. The 5 percent, 1902, known as the Birch Crisp loan, constitutes a first charge upon the surplus salt gabelle, and if this revenue should be insufficient the Chinese Government will make up the amount from other sources. In the case of default, the revenue pledged is to be transferred to and administered by the Chinese Maritime Customs in the interests of the bondholders. Drawings commenced in 1923, and the bonds at the current price of 69 give a flat yield of about 7¼ percent. The 5 percent. Reorganisation loan of 1913 is specifically secured upon the entire revenue of the salt administration and constitutes a charge upon any future surplus of the maritime customs subject, in both cases, to earlier obligations. In case of default, there is also a similar clause regarding the administration of the revenue. Drawings began this year, and at the present price of 75, allowing for accrued interest, the yield is fully 6½ percent. As in all these cases there are yearly drawings at par, there is always the chance of a holder getting a plum if he should be lucky enough to have a bond drawn for payment.

XMAS ARCADE.

Novelty At Whiteaway's.

A Christmas Arcade is something new to Hongkong shops but the one which has been so tastefully arranged just inside the main entrance to Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Company, Ltd., does not stop short at mere novelty. The stalls and shelves on either side of the gaily decorated archway from which dangle invitingly mysterious Xmas stockings, dolls and other things of delight are stocked with articles as varied in price and character as in novelty.

As, of course, is to be expected of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw, the line in gentlemen's presents is a comprehensive one and no lady should have difficulty in choosing something smart and serviceable from the articles on display. And whilst at the establishment the fair shopper would be well advised to look at the chair covers, cushions and other such other domestic indispensables which are stock in pleasing variety, the latest conceptions in design being amongst them.

SHIP ON FIRE.

THIRD MATE ABSENT FROM WATCH.

Serious charges were preferred against Alexander Forbes Jameson, third officer of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's "Kingsing," in the British Police Court on Saturday, before Mr. G. W. King, says the N.C. "Daily News" of Monday last.

The first charge was misconduct, neglect of duty and causing serious loss and damage. He was further charged with being absent from duty without leave or permission, and also with refusing to obey the commands of the captain of the ship. The latter charge was withdrawn.

Mr. Sidney Young appeared for the prosecution; Mr. J. R. Jones defended. Mr. Young, outlining the case, said that on the afternoon of December 3, the "Kingsing" arrived in Shanghai and berthed at the Ningpo Wharf. The third officer was supposed to be in charge that night, but he left the ship at about 11 o'clock and during his absence a fire broke out in his cabin. The crew set about fighting the flames, and while they were at this work the defendant returned and obstructed their work in such a way as to endanger the safety of the ship.

Captain T. M. Merrick, skipper of the steamer, said it was usual for the third officer to take the first night watch when a ship arrived in port. Witness came on board at nine o'clock and did not see defendant. He went to bed and was awakened about midnight by the Chinese quartermaster, who told him the ship was on fire. On the scene he found the Second Engineer together with a number of firemen preparing the fire hose. The fire had broken out in the accused's cabin, which was locked. He ordered axes to be brought and had the door broken in, but the heat was so intense that it could not be entered. Accused came on board in the middle of this, appeared to be very drunk and shouted something about doing his duty. Witness told him to get out, but he refused and witness eventually had to hit him under the chin to keep him quiet and ordered the crew to lock him up. He broke loose from the crew and finally the Second Engineer had to lock him up. When he broke in to things he started to smash things up.

Cross-examined, witness agreed that he did not think the accused's actions were with any malicious intent. He admitted he was excited himself. He agreed that no explicit orders had been given the accused to stop on board that night, but said it was an understood thing that the Third Officer always took that particular watch. Further questioned, Captain Merrick said he considered the Third Officer a perfectly good officer, satisfactory in every way, and this offence came as a surprise to him. He was perfectly willing to take him back to his ship if the Company were agreeable. He had no idea how the fire originated but considered the accused indirectly responsible as it broke out in his cabin.

The Second Engineer, in evidence, said he could not say the Third Officer was drunk but he was certainly very excited. Mr. Jones, addressing the Court, said the accused pleaded guilty to being absent without leave from the ship. He was away 20 minutes only and could not be held responsible for the fire. To say he was responsible would be mere conjecture, and the marine career of this young officer should not be blasted on such evidence. The Company's regulations required that an officer should be on the ship, but did not state specifically which officer; Third Officer was supposed to be on duty. It was merely a mutual arrangement with the others.

Accused, in evidence, said he had been at sea about six or seven years. He did leave the ship for about half an hour on the night in question, but he was sober when he returned. He went ashore in order to get a punchbowl from the str. "Yueang," which he did. He had about four drinks at dinner but none after. When he got on board and found his cabin in flames he ran and did not remember the Captain striking him. The Magistrate held that the first charge was not proved. On the other charges, as the Company was not pressing for punishment and the captain offered to take him back on the ship, he would only fine him two days pay.

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MIDLAND BANK CASE.

ALLEGED BLACKMAIL AND CONSPIRACY.

London, November 9.—Lord Darling, in the King's Bench Division, fixed Wednesday, November 19, for the hearing of the action of "Robinson" against the Midland Bank.

This is the case concerning which "The Daily Mail" gave particulars in May last. An application was made for the appointment of the Editor and proprietors of "The Daily Mail" for alleged contempt, but was refused. On that occasion Lord Halsbury, K.C., for Mr. Robinson, made the following statements:—

There is connected with the case a person who is in a very high position, and it has been agreed by both sides that his name and position shall not be mentioned. I agree with one statement—that, when it comes to be dealt with, it will turn out to be the most amazing story that has ever been heard.

"Conspirators." In applying for the hearing to be expedited, Lord Halsbury said the action was a claim for money had and received to the amount of £150,000.

The defence, he said, alleged blackmailing and conspiracy of the worst kind, and it was suggested that Mr. Robinson knew about it. One of the conspirators at least had served a long term of imprisonment for forgery and conspiracy, and others, if the defence were true, ought to serve an even longer sentence.

Lord Halsbury added that Mr. Robinson engaged the services of Mr. Gough, who was for a long time a chief inspector at Scotland Yard. Mr. Gough was well acquainted with the shining lights of the underworld, and knew all about these people. For that reason his presence at the trial was essential.

If, said counsel, the defence took a certain turn, which he foresaw it might take, Mr. Gough would have to give evidence on a very vital point. Mr. Gough expected to be called away to America, but, if the case could be tried early next week, he would delay his sailing. Not only did the case relate to a large sum of money, said Lord Halsbury, but even the liberty of Mr. Robinson was in jeopardy.

Mr. Malcolm Hilbery (for the bank) said that the allegation which had been made in the defence was that Mr. Robinson, with other named conspirators, obtained the whole of the money and cheque by a blackmailing conspiracy. The cheque was paid into the Midland Bank, and later the bank paid out, against cheques drawn upon the account, the whole sum.

UNMENTIONED NAMES.

Mr. Robinson sought to say that he received only £25,000, and not £150,000, and sought to get against the bank £125,000 which the bank had not got on that account because it was paid out.

Lord Darling: The only defendants are the bank?

Mr. Hilbery: Yes. I think by the consent of both sides there are certain names in the pleadings which will not be mentioned in the trial.

Lord Darling: They occur in the defence?

Mr. Hilbery: That is of the greatest importance. In further arguments, Lord Halsbury said: Mr. Gough does want to get away to America. Mr. Hilbery: There will be other people who will be anxious to go to America and other places before the case proceeds very far. (Laughter.)

ESCAPED CONVICT.

LIVES AS WEALTHY LONDON VISITOR.

After a two months' stay at Brixton Prison a man named Kemmel has gone back to New York in the Cunard liner "Aquitania" in the custody of two United States detectives.

Kemmel is alleged to have escaped from the United States early in the year after stealing 100,000 dollars (about £20,000) from an American bank.

It was known that he made his way to Europe. It is now learned that he arrived in England in July and lived as a wealthy visitor for a time before he had been supplied with a description of the wanted man, was on his track.

He then disappeared. Later he was traced to Paris, where he again eluded his pursuers. While the Continental police were searching for him he returned to London, where his love of display enabled the police to pick up the trail again.

He was chatting in a West End restaurant one evening with newly made friends when he was spoken to by a man who said he had a message to deliver in private. Kemmel followed the man, who was a detective, and to the surprise of his companions, did not return. The mystery of the disappearance of their host was not explained. Kemmel has a criminal record, and it was not necessary to bring him before an extradition court.

GLYDE VALLEY.

HISTORY AND SIGNIFICANCE DISCUSSED.

A book has just been published by Thornton Butterworth on "Glydesdale," by A. MacCallum Scott, price 7s. 6d. net. The title in itself is not very promising, but the book is a very interesting and comprehensive guide to the history and significance of the valley. It is a great romance, and as we turn over these pages we seem to stir up the ghosts of the dead years. There comes to us the tramp of the Roman legionaries along the Old Road, the ring of steel and the thunder of the angry meetings as we read. Ghosts of dead earls and kings stir themselves again, and the faces of pale ladies peer out upon us from the printed leaf to tell a merry or a tragic tale. And rising, beyond all the turmoil and change of the centuries comes the timeless murmur of stream and river to our ear, and here and there the tale of the years is broken to soothe our minds with some glimpse of beauty and peace.

THE FRUIT-GROWER'S TALE. The book is not overweighed with historical detail. It is a record, sympathetic and humorous, of travels and explorations and wayside adventures. Herein we meet the Laird of Lamington, the Returned Native among the hills of his youth, the shepherd in the glen, the Parson of Carstairs, the Antiquary and the Fruit-grower.

"Man, I have only once regretted being a Conservative," said the Fruit-grower. "I have always been a Conservative in politics but the fruit-growing and politics are different things. Ye canna mix them. I admit I was too conservative about tomatoes. Michael Simons, the fruit broker, advised me to put up some glass houses and to start growing tomatoes. If I had done so I would have been a rich man to-day. But the first I tasted I spat it out. 'No, no, no,' I said, 'tomatoes are an acquired taste.' Strawberries are a natural taste, and I grew tomatoes. I'd have to wait till I could learn to eat them before I could sell them."

"It was the biggest mistake of my life. Thousands and thousands of pounds have been made off tomatoes. Hundreds of acres from Glasgow to Lanark are covered with glass. With the tomatoes you grow independent of the weather. After all, growing tomatoes in a glass house is something like running a factory. Even the strawberries keep you so thronged you have hardly time to get acquainted with your soul. Spring, summer, and autumn, you get rest. I mind, Watlie Forrest used to say: 'Man, when I come to see I hope I'll be in the winter time. I feel mair spiritually-minded then!' I wonder he ever got time to see after he took up wi' the tomatoes. When all's said and done, the best life of all is in an orchard. I believe Eden was more like an orchard than a tomato-house."

THE SPLENDID BASTARD. We meet with many an old worthy in these pages. Dead antiquarians yield us their lore, and there are many reminiscences of the Wizard of the North, Blind Barbour too, the old bard, who wrote the saga of "The Bruce," is recalled. The Douglas Saga receives a chapter to itself, the story of the Douglas-Hamilton feud's another, and the tale of "The King's Hunting" a third. A specially interesting chapter is devoted to Sir James Hamilton of Pinnart, the Splendid Bastard, who rose to power as a King's favourite, and who perished on the scaffold when the King frowned.

Pinnart set his stamp upon the architecture of Scotland. He anticipated by half a century the Renaissance movement in Scotland. He brought over skilled workmen, and doubtless architects also, though he is said to have had some skill as an architect himself. The handiwork of Pinnart is to be seen, not in churches or fortresses, but in the Royal palaces. The visitor to Stirling Castle is struck with amazement, as he enters the courtyard, at the florid design, half Gothic grotesque, half Renaissance, of the palace front. This luxurious and sensuous delight in decoration must have been a startling manifestation in a Scotland in which John Knox had already passed his thirtieth year.

ST. MUNGO'S CATHEDRAL. Mr. MacCallum Scott has a very genuine love for antiquities, and his remarks on Scottish architecture are always stimulating. "Glasgow Cathedral," he writes, "is the most splendid architectural monument Scotland retains of the days before Bannockburn."

"When first seen, from the top of the High Street, the long, regular facade of clerestory windows, unbroken by flying buttresses, has the stark and naked appearance of a barracks. It is 'dour' and reserved, this ancient Scottish building, like the old Carlisle, Shotts and Slingsman, men who made it. They did not wear their hair upon their shoulders, and it does not reveal its

CHINESE ALIENS.

MEXICO MAKES PLANS FOR RESTRICTION.

Mexico City, October 15.—Probability of the restriction of Chinese immigration to Mexico is seen in the announcement that the Mexican Government will present in Congress a measure designed to satisfy petitions received from the states of Sonora, Sinaloa, Chihuahua and Coahuila, where commercial interests and clubs devoted to the anti-Chinese campaign have held numerous public meetings recently.

Since the anti-Chinese movement began three years ago the association known as the Mexican Pro-Race League has formed branches in the states mentioned. Particularly around Torreón, commercial centre of the Laguna cotton farming district, is the feeling against Asiatics growing strong, since the league's meetings have brought many Mexican men and women together to discuss problems of combating the increase of Chinese.

In Sonora, municipal and state legislation has resulted in drastic laws for segregating Chinese into restricted districts of habitation and trade. However, these settlers are generally wealthy Chinese merchants and practically control the retail trade of the State. In other states the league is first occupying itself with an educational campaign designed to awaken the Mexican women of the peasant class to realization of the immigration problem that is already evident in many towns and cities, where Chinese have taken Mexican wives.

Commercial boycotts against Chinese merchants in Torreón, Gomez, Palacios, San Pedro and other Nazas Valley towns have been declared. Demands are being made for expulsion of Chinese not naturalized.

Meanwhile Chinese merchants and industrialists all over the Republic are getting together to present their cause through their new Minister, who is expected soon to reach Mexico. The anti-Chinese attitude of the people of northwestern Mexico is in sharp contrast with the last week's amicable treaty with the Japanese Government celebrated in the capital. In the discussions of the Asiatic immigration problem over the northern states very little has been voiced against the Japanese, who are also quite numerous in commercial and industrial affairs of Mexico.

It is believed that the gorilla, now declared to be harmless, has been reduced to less than 2,000 in number, and of these about 75 inhabit King Albert's new gorilla reserve of 260 square miles in the north-eastern Belgian Congo. Embracing three volcanoes with Mt. Karisimbi reaching a height of 13,500 feet, this nature park, located by Carl E. Akeley, New York naturalist, offers great variety in country and climate.

beauties and graces at first sight. The crypt is no sunk basement. It rises clear above the ground as high almost as the Western Isles, supporting upon its rugged, rough-hewn walls, pierced by narrow, fortress-like, lancet windows, the loftier and more graceful choir. It is here that one first begins to realise the strength and individuality of the Cathedral. This is the Scotland that won Rannoch-burn.

"To Scotland we have to go," continues Mr. Scott, "for one of the rarest and most complete examples of Gothic of this period, albeit it is known as 'Early English.' The builders were still intent on the purely structural problems; they still felt the rapture of discovery as they surveyed the beautiful forms which the application of the new principle of construction seemed to evolve out of the heart of nature; they had neither the time nor the inclination to conceal these forms beneath a load of elaborate decoration. The builders of such a temple were fit competitors for the architects of Scottish freedom."

DIXON'S BLAZES. But the years have brought their changes to Glydesdale. "The coal and iron fields of lower Clydesdale have been opened. The furnaces of Motherwell and Coatbridge have been kindled. Dixon's Blazes have lit up the night like a volcano. Forests of cranes and scaffolding line the lower reaches of the river, and in more prosperous times 10,000 hammers ring in the shipyards. Glasgow has grown from a small provincial town, with a population of 12,000, to be the second city in the Empire, with a population of a million. What a vision! Out of the depths rises a cloud of smoke from the furnaces of the Black Country, and the chimneys of Glasgow, surrounded by a chequered pattern of enclosure, rich-orchards; pasture and woods, rising to the muirlands of the Carlisle, Shotts and Slingsman, men who made it. They did not wear their hair upon their shoulders, and it does not reveal its

DOCTORS AT LAW.

LIBEL CASE HEARD THIRD TIME.

"BIRTH CONTROL" BOOK.

London, October 26.—In the highest court of the realm the decision was challenged in a libel suit which has aroused widespread interest. For the third time a legal battle was waged concerning the views of Dr. Marie Stopes, an exponent of birth control, the wife of Mr. H. V. Roe, the aviation pioneer.

This lady some time ago brought an action claiming damages against Dr. Halliday G. Sutherland, of Chelsea, and Messrs. Harding and More, publishers. She alleged that Dr. Sutherland libelled her in his book "Birth Control." The complaint was concerning a paragraph entitled "Exposing the Poor to Experiment," in which occurred the following passages:—

The ordinary decent instincts of the poor are against these practices, and, indeed, they have used them less than any other class, but owing to their poverty, lack of learning, and helplessness, the poor are the natural victims of those who seek to make experiments on their fellows. In the midst of a London slum, a woman who is a doctor to German philosophy (Munich) has opened a birth control clinic where working women are instructed in a method of contraception described by Professor Mollroy as "the most harmful method of which I have had experience." It is truly amazing that this monstrous campaign of birth control should be tolerated by the Home Secretary. Charles Bradlaugh was condemned to jail for a less serious crime.

A special jury found that the words complained of were defamatory of plaintiff, that they were true in substance and fact, but that they were not fair comment, and damages were assessed at £100. On the ground of the second finding the Lord Chief Justice held that the action was concluded in favour of Dr. Sutherland and his publisher, for whom he entered judgment. The Court of Appeal directed, however, that judgment should be entered for Dr. Marie Stopes for £100. The case was then referred to the House of Lords, where Lords Cave, Finlay, Shaw, Wrenbury and Carson heard cross appeals against the decision of the Court of Appeal. Sergeant Sullivan, K.C., for Dr. Sutherland, stated he must refer the House to one of Dr. Stopes' most notorious works, "Married Love," which had been sold to young people of both sexes in hundreds of thousands. The judges read several pages from the work, in silence, after which Lord Carson remarked that Sergeant Sullivan was quite right in not reading them aloud.—Lord Cave, putting the book away from him, I have had enough of this.—After submitting further extracts from Dr. Stopes' works, Sergeant Sullivan submitted that a verdict in an action for libel that the words complained of, although defamatory, were true in substance and fact, was a verdict for defendant. He added that if 12 decent citizens brought these disgusting books into their rooms, read them, and thought of the protection of their children, their finding would be in favour of his clients. No abstract question of law could ever whitewash the expression of the jury that this woman had published improper books, and he had proved out of her own mouth that she had been carrying out amateurish experiments on the poor.—Lord Finlay: The verdict is very puzzling. Having found the truth established that an obscene libel had been published, why should the jury give £100? Sergeant Sullivan replied that he thought the jury were greatly puzzled when they answered the second question, which asked whether the words of Dr. Sutherland were true in substance and in fact. Nobody told them what the effect of their answers was going to be, and accordingly they answered everything and decided that if on three findings they had to give damages they would give to Dr. Stopes £100.—Lord Finlay commented that he had great doubt about the way the practice of leaving specific questions to a jury sometimes worked.—Lord Shaw stated so also, had he.—The hearing was adjourned.

The "Manchuria Daily News" of November 27, says that while the Peking-Mukden Line has nominally been reopened, most of its carrying capacity is still appropriated by the transportation of munitions and troops. Rolling stock is being borrowed from the Tientsin-Pukow, the Peking-Hankow, and the Peking-Suiyuan Lines. While, in ordinary times, 24 hours suffices for a trip to be completed between Peking and Mukden, 35 to 40 hours is now required owing to the necessity to wait for the military trains to pass. On this account, the issue of through passenger tickets still remains suspended. So does the general freight traffic.

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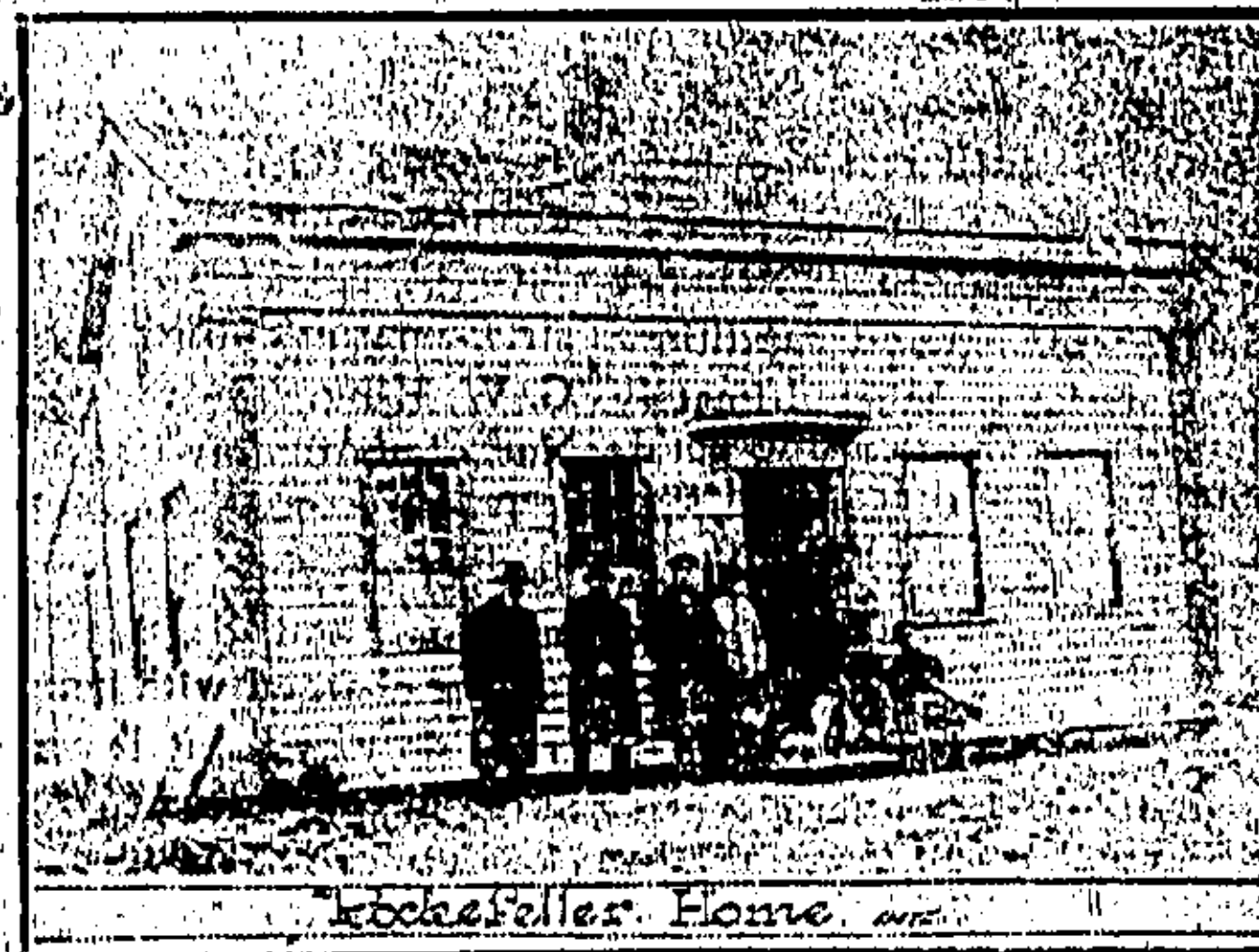
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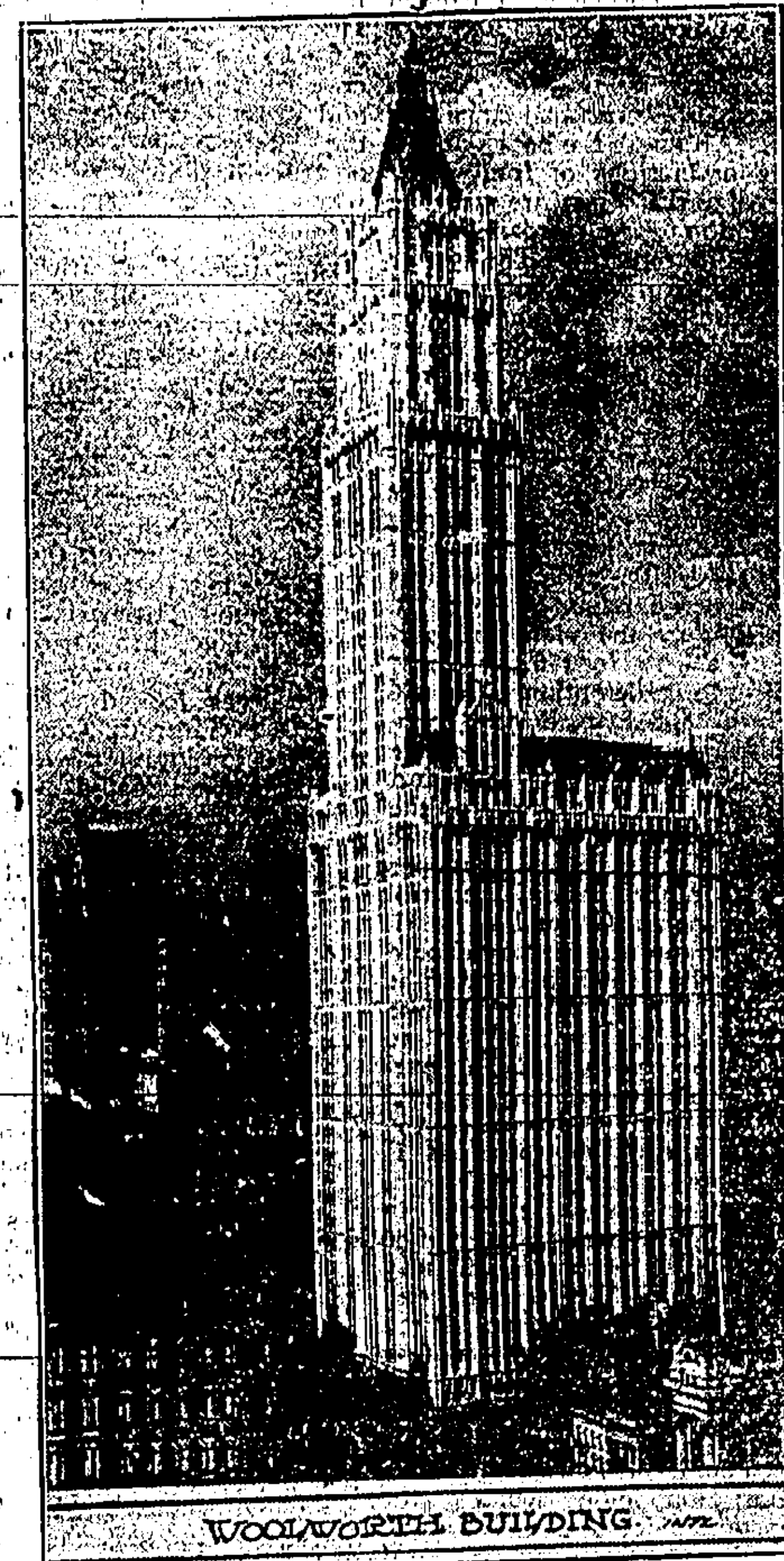
The wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral, on Wednesday afternoon, of Miss Audrey Josephine Howe, daughter of the late Major Joseph Howe (North-West Mounted Police), and Mrs. Howe, of Vancouver, British Columbia, to Mr. Reginald Albert Camidge, of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Camidge, of Hoylake, Cheshire. The bride was given away by Mr. A. H. Ferguson, Manager, Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China. Mrs. A. H. Ferguson was the matron of honour and Miss Dorothy Ferguson, the bridesmaid. Mr. J. M. Walker was best man.



At the Union Church, Kowloon, last Saturday, Miss Edith Webb, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Webb, of East View Buildings, Nathan Road, Kowloon, was married to Mr. John W. M. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brown, of Edinburgh, Scotland. The bride was given away by her father. Her sister, Miss Ida Webb, was bridesmaid. Miss Phyllis Stainfield was flower girl. Mr. Walter Nollath was best man.



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WORLD OF SPORT.

BOXING.

WHY ENGLAND LACKS
TOP-NOTCHERS.

Lord Decies writes in the
"Daily Express." Much has been
said and written lately concern-
ing the dearth of English boxers.
Sporting writers have lamented
our alleged inability to put for-
ward anything approaching a
world champion. After a boxing
match in which an English
"champion" has come off second
best, it is further suggested that
we are losing our national reputa-
tion in the fields of international
sport.

The fact that boxing has de-
veloped apace in many other
lands has been entirely over-
looked, and with fifty countries
taking up boxing to-day in place
of the half-dozen or so of ten,
fifty or twenty years ago,
when Great Britain had heavy-
weights who were world cham-
pions, the situation has com-
pletely changed.

There is not the slightest
reason why this country should
be in a position any longer to
monopolise the championship of
the world (professional and
amateur) at any sport. If we
can keep round about or near the
top it is as much as we can
expect.

The trouble in England is not
that we take our sport too
seriously as some people imagine,
but that we do not take it seriously
enough. In the United States
a boxer would have to win thirty
or forty fights and go through
years of gruelling training before
a promoter would put him for-
ward in a big-fight. In this
country a boxer will only be in
training for about six months
before he is matched against a
well-known man.

It should be realised that a
boxer who aspires to become
champion of the world has a long
and dreary journey before his
dream can be realised. Much
more could be done to encourage
the boys of this country—boxing
halls and instructors, for in-
stance, in every city, town, and
village teaching the principles of
the game to the youth. A lot is
already done in this respect, but
there must be thousands of boys
who for want of opportunity
never put on a glove.

In our failures to provide
proper facilities for the boys—
especially the poor boys—to learn
this national sport lies the secret
of our failure to produce cham-
pions, or even to reach a decent
standard in boxing.

Another reason why our pro-
fessional boxing is so low in
quality is the absence of any
body in this country having con-
trol of the sport. Any Tom,
Dick, or Harry can promote fights
and leave big men stranded
owing to mismanagement, as was
shown by the recent Wembley
fiasco and other examples of a
similar nature.

In France and America boxing
is under one head, champions
are named, and when challenged
have to fight at the orders of the
controlling body.

Why is Association football so
well controlled in England?

CRICKET.

ARMY v. NAVY NEXT
WEDNESDAY.

The following will represent
the Army v. Royal Navy, at 10
a.m. on Wednesday, the 17th
inst., on the Hongkong Cricket
Club Ground:—
Major Hattersley-Smith,
D.S.O., R.A.
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Regiment.
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rey Regiment.
Captain Rowe, East Surrey
Regiment.
Lieut. Allfree, East Surrey
Regiment.
Lieut. Smith, R.A.
Q.M.S. Jacob, R.E.
C.Q.M.S. Stripp, East Surrey
Regiment.
Sgt. Gifford, R.A.

FOOTBALL.

CLUB v. KOWLOON.

The following will represent
the Hongkong Football Club in
their league match versus Kow-
loon to-day. Kick-off at 4 p.m.
on Club Ground:—G. S. Rodger;
W. G. Gerard (Capt.), C. E.
Bishop, A. Mair, J. Stewart, G.
Watson, T. P. A. Forsyth, G. J.
Jones, H. G. Howard and F.
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RUGBY RUMPUS.

SCOTLAND TAKES STRANGE
ACTION.

London, November 5.—Scotland
has rejected private overtures that
were made with the object of
arranging two matches against the
All Blacks.

The newspapers point out the
gravity of Scotland again snubbing
New Zealand, and ask whether the
Scottish football authorities will be
consistent and refuse to meet
"contaminated" English and
Irish teams, and also prohibit
Scotsmen at Oxford playing
against the All Blacks on Novem-
ber 20.

REFEREE FALLS DEAD.

While refereeing the tie in the
second round of the qualifying
competition for the Football
Association Cup, between Woking
and Summerstown, at Woking,
on October 28, Sergeant G. W.
Blake, of the Royal Engineers,
Aldershot, collapsed, and was
found to be dead.

This tragic occurrence took
place when play had been in pro-
gress 25 minutes. Neither side
had scored, and the match was
abandoned.

Because the Football Association
controls the whole game, both
professional and amateur. The
same principle applies in cricket.
We must look for a body who
will rule our realm of boxing and
direct it to a healthier state.

HOME GOLF.

J. H. TAYLOR'S RECORD
ROUND.

London, October 29.—J. H.
Taylor, the open ex-champion, was
in wonderful form at Coombe
Wood yesterday. In the morning
Taylor and Alex. Herd played an
exhibition round, Taylor going
round in 68 and Herd 72. In the
afternoon, in an 18 holes medal
competition under handicap open
to the two professionals and club
members, Taylor went round in
the extraordinary score of 66—a
record. His card contained no
fewer than eight threes.

Oxford Captain's Feat

Although Royal Wimbledon
beat Oxford University by 10½
points to 7½ in the Dark Blues'
initial match of the season at
Wimbledon yesterday, chief
honours rest with A. R. Nall-Cain,
the Oxford captain. He, by defeat-
ing F. S. Bond in the leading
single, accomplished a feat which
no other leader of an Oxford side—
including Cyril Tolley and Roger
Wethered—has done in post-war
days. The winning margin was 2
and 1.

In the foursomes the club won,
winning three games, lost two, and
halved one. They won the singles
by seven to five.
Oxford have seven of the ten
players who opposed Cambridge
last season in residence.

MISSED THE CUP.

MR. BRUCE RETICENT
ABOUT BET.

Sydney, November 5.—"Yes
it was the biggest sacrifice my
tour involved, and I did my best
to make the people up there realise
it," confessed the Prime Minister.
But he was smiling as he stepped
off the Brisbane express this morn-
ing, and thought he admitted that
he did not often miss a Melbourne
Cup, he bore his martyrdom on
this occasion, like a philosopher
and a statesman.
But what Mr. Bruce's feelings
were on hearing the result when
the train reached Stanthorpe, he
did not reveal.
Did he back Backwood?
"Ah!" laughed Mr. Bruce.
"That's a question I mustn't
answer. If it was thought that the
Prime Minister set a bad example
by gambling, certain good people
might be shocked."
Mr. Bruce covered a lot of
ground in his fortnight's tour, and
his wife was with him throughout
the trip. "She was with me in the
aeroplane flight from Winton to
Longreach, too," he said. "We
did the journey in a couple of
hours, and the others didn't arrive
till 11 o'clock at night."
Mr. Bruce will remain in Sydney
till Sunday, when he starts on a
tour of the western districts of
N.S.W.
And what he backed for the Cup
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"Richard," the local bigamist at the London Zoo, has some bitter moments ahead of him. One of his wives will be torn from his bosom and united to a wild bachelor from Wembley. Wembley is not the best of training grounds for matrimony—it is apt to be unsettling given by the Government of South Africa to the various Zoos on the strict understanding that they shall not be used for commercial purposes. Should any eggs hatch out, the chicks are also forbidden to earn their own living as plume-providers.

This stipulation is in the interests of the South African ostrich farmers, who do not wish for local competition in one of their best markets.

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The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" will leave Manila at 5 p.m. to-morrow arriving back in Hongkong at 7 a.m. on Dec. 16. On her return she will berth at Regent's Park.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Kitsano Maru" (European-Flag Line) left London for Hongkong via Suez on Nov. 9 and is expected here on Dec. 16.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Yamato Maru" (European-Flag Line) left Shanghai for Hongkong on Dec. 11.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Tango Maru" (Australian-Flag Line) left London for Hongkong via Suez on Dec. 10, and is expected here on Dec. 16.

The A.O.L. s.s. "Pres. Jefferson" which sailed from this port at 5 p.m. on Dec. 8, arrived at Manila at 7 a.m. Dec. 10. She returns from that port at 5 p.m. to-day, arriving here at 7 a.m. Dec. 16, and will sail for Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai and Japan at 10 a.m. Dec. 17.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Morio Maru" (Banyo Line) left Bombay for Hongkong via Singapore on Dec. 4 and is expected here on Dec. 11.

The D.S.L. s.s. "H. M. Monroe" which is due at this port on Dec. 22, sailed from New York on Oct. 30—on schedule.

The B.F. s.s. "Trollus" left Liverpool on Nov. 15 for Straits, Hongkong, and Shanghai and is due here on or about Dec. 21.

The B.F. s.s. "Sarpedon" left Liverpool on Dec. 3 for Hongkong, Shanghai, Dairen and Tsingtao and is due here on Dec. 24.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hongkong via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Dec. 5 and is due here on Dec. 24.

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The D.S.L. s.s. "Pres. Harrison" which is due at this port on Jan. 5, sailed from New York on Nov. 12—on schedule.

The B.F. s.s. "Trollus" left Liverpool on Nov. 22 for Straits, Hongkong, and Shanghai and is due here on or about Jan. 6.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Kamo Maru" (European-Flag Line) left London for Hongkong via Suez on Dec. 6 and is expected here on Jan. 12.

The B.F. s.s. "Tyndarus" left Liverpool on Dec. 7 for Penang, Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama and is due here on or about Jan. 12.

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